

“It’s the people I’ll miss the most.”

Pam Cady, on the closing of G. E. Masten Feed Store in Pleasant Valley

End of an era – Cady family closes Masten Feed Store

by Jim Donick

A long-standing landmark on the Pleasant Valley Main Street and, perhaps more importantly, a central example of Pleasant Valley’s traditionally welcoming culture, the Cady Family’s G. E. Masten Feed Store, closed this past Saturday, Oct. 15.

Owners Pam and Matt Cady made the announcement at the end of September, heralding the end of their family’s 41 years in the agricultural support business.

“You know,” said Matt Cady, “there’s been a feed store at this location since the late 1800s. We’ve kept it going since I was in grade school.”

The Cadys note that the many aspects of a changing business climate - “the introduction of online suppliers, the change of individual shopping habits to more superstore/nationwide chains, the difficulty of finding employees, along with the increasing prices and difficulty in obtaining product has led us to make this decision.”

It’s been an eventful time. Pam recalls that when they first opened up, she was almost alone in the store six days a week as her late husband, Don, was still working at his day job.

“Men would come in to get something and ask if my husband or one of the men was around. I grew up on a farm, so I knew about all of the products, but some of them weren’t quite ready to trust a petite woman.”

“We used to have some fun with that,” Matt recalled. “One of these guys would come in and dad would be there.

He’d say ‘I’m not sure’... and then ask Mom for the answer. After awhile, these folks came to understand that she knew a lot more than they ever expected. In fact, when we went into pet foods, she did all the research, so when somebody would come in and ask what they should give their pet - dog, cat, rabbit, gerbil, anything - she always knew what to tell them because she made sure she had the best things available and studied

them to be certain. Nothing got in here unless she knew it was the best.”

After 41 years of greeting the public six days a week with her infectious smile and all-but-encyclopedic knowledge of local agriculture, Pam is starting to think about what comes next.

“My daughter and I are going to visit our Amish friends in Pennsylvania, first,” she said.

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Pam and Matt Cady stand on the front porch of the G. E. Masten Feed Store in Pleasant Valley. The Cady family closed the store on Oct. 15 after 41 years in business. Photo by Jim Donick



Fall Festival comes to Freedom Park in LaGrange



Bee Bee the Clown will be one of the fun attractions at the annual Fall Festival in LaGrange. The event will be held on Sunday, Oct. 23, at Freedom Park. Courtesy photo

The Fall Festival in the Town of LaGrange returns this year to Freedom Park and the Parks and Recreation Department promises traditional fun with some added flair. The event is planned for Sunday, Oct. 23, from noon to 4 p.m. The festival has become the much-anticipated event of the season drawing crowds to the park for a family-friendly seasonal experience.

Attendees can expect the normal slate of activities, including a petting zoo from Two by Two Animal Haven, balloon fun with Button Down Balloons, Bee Bee the Clown, arts & crafts, games, inflatables and strolling characters. A Halloween costume parade will take place at 3:15 p.m. There will be live music at the band shell by the band “Noise in the

Basement” and multiple food trucks for hungry appetites.

Some special feature areas of the festival include the Farm Fun Zone with the Little Brays of Sunshine therapy donkeys, 4-H Poultry Club, hands-on farm play and a hayride.

Visitors can also visit the Honor Tent where they can chat with representatives of Honor Flight and Hope for Heroes Foundation. The LaGrange Fire Department and Dutchess County Sheriff’s Department will be nearby to visit with, and visitors can sign a card for a veteran or military service member.

A brand new attraction this year is the Spooky Pavilion, a walk-through activity

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County opens Housing Creation and Preservation Program process

The Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development last week opened its application process for the Housing Creation and Preservation (HCP) Program, an integral part of the newly established Dutchess County Housing Trust Fund (HTF), established to provide financial support for the creation of affordable housing distributed throughout the County.

Both private for-profit and non-profit developers are eligible to apply for funding through a competitive application process, with approximately \$9 million available.

Applications will be accepted via an online portal through Nov. 30 at 4 p.m.

This application round covers two eligible activities within the HCP Program:

- **Housing Creation:** The creation of new affordable rental housing via new construction, rehabilitation of existing housing stock, and adaptive reuse of non-residential structures. Funded projects may be fully affordable or mixed-income; single-room occupancy rental housing is eligible under this category.

- **Housing Preservation:** Acquisition and/or rehabilitation of occupied, naturally-occurring affordable rental housing with income-eligible tenants to secure long-term affordability with applicable compliance periods.

Developments awarded HCP funds may also receive additional funding from other sources, including private financing / bank loans. Developments where other funding is committed will receive a higher priority. Tax credits and HCP funds

may be used together.

The Dutchess County Housing Trust Fund requires that a minimum of 80% of a project's funding through the Housing Trust Fund be targeted to households with incomes up to 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI) for Dutchess County. The remainder of a project's funding may support units targeted to households with incomes up to 80% the County's AMI.

Once eligibility is determined, applications are reviewed jointly by Department of Planning and Development staff and the Dutchess County Housing Trust Fund's Project Review Committee (PRC), with a particular focus on project underwriting and overall compliance with program parameters.

The creation of the HTF is an outgrowth of the 2022 Dutchess County Housing Needs Assessment, released in April. Recognizing both the importance of safe, affordable housing and the challenges that many of our residents continue to face with regard to housing, Dutchess County has moved swiftly to set up the Housing Trust Fund and launch this first round of funding.

The HTF will provide a flexible and nimble funding source to aid in the implementation of a variety of affordable housing efforts throughout the County. The minimum amount of subsidy under the HCP is \$10,000 per unit, and the maximum is \$175,000 per unit.

Rental housing located in any Dutchess County municipality is eligible, but priority will be given to:

- Housing that helps a municipality meet its portion of the minimum recommended countywide Fair Share Distribution, outlined in the 2022 Dutchess County Housing Needs Assessment;

- Housing in communities or neighborhoods with limited affordable opportunities;

- Housing which is located in estab-

lished or emerging town/village centers, along transit routes, and/or near employment and services including educational, recreational, health and municipal; and

- Housing that promotes greater choice of housing opportunities.

More detailed information on HCP priorities, requirements, regulations and guidance, is available in the program's 2022 Policies and Procedures.

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for all ages that will delight the senses with music, lights, decorations and themed displays. Adult supervision is required for entrance.

Parks and Recreation Director, Sandy Washburn, remarked on this new addition. "We are excited to be offering the Spooky Pavilion this year. It is something we have had in our minds for a while. We teamed up with our parks crew and made it happen and we hope families really enjoy what we have done. It was a labor of love that we really wanted to bring to the community."

Another area getting a great deal of attention this year is the Maker's Market. The main pavilion is jam packed with crafters and makers selling their wares and specialty food items. It will be a

sensory explosion with everything from maple treats to hand crafted wooden flags available for purchase. Much time and attention was given to attract vendors to offer a memorable shopping experience to event attendees.

Town Supervisor Alan Bell said he expects the public to be wowed.

"Each year I am in awe of how this festival has grown and how popular it is in the community. It is a special time to get together in the beauty of the park and enjoy the season. I'm looking forward to all that is planned," he said.

For detailed information of all of the day's activities, follow Town of LaGrange Parks and Recreation on Facebook, or go to the town website at lagrangenyc.gov.

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Move of Red Hook polling site to Bard College spurs controversy

by Rich Thomaselli

In a move that has spurred discussion in the Town of Red Hook, voters in the town's Fifth District will now cast their ballots in next month's elections at Bard College instead of at the long-time polling precinct at St. John's Episcopal Church.

The decision, which had already been in the making, brings an interesting national debate close to home. Should there be polling sites at colleges – which traditionally have leaned more toward liberal, Democratic views among that voting age group – as opposed to sites such as elementary schools or churches that are considered less partisan? Or is this simply a matter of logistics and convenience for college students?

As is the case with politics, you're either on one side or the other. But when the college itself needs to send out a 1,200-word press release to explain its position and its years-long fight to be recognized as a polling site, you know it's a serious issue.

In its statement, Bard said the fight with Dutchess County Republicans to have a polling site at the college has been ongoing since 1999, including the filing of two lawsuits.

"This is a victory for voting rights and for youth voters everywhere and for the 26th Amendment," Jonathan Becker, Bard's Executive Vice President and Director of Bard's Center for Civic Engagement, said in the statement. "The

Board of Elections' systemic discrimination against students has been a lesson about the need to fight injustice wherever it appears. We are also pleased the Board's actions, particularly those of Commissioner Erik Haight, have been so egregious that they have impelled the state to implement legislative fixes to curb abuses of power throughout the state."

The new site, at Bard's Bertelsmann Campus Center, came after an agreement between Dutchess County Republican Commissioner of Elections Erik Haight and his Democratic counterpart, Hannah Black. The debate was initially whether either polling place was a bus route for residents to reach and concerns about being compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

"In this situation, the poll site was not moved this year. There have been two poll sites for one election district – unlike anywhere else – since 2020, one of them being St. John's Episcopal Church and one of them being Bertelsmann Center at Bard," Black explained in an interview with the Northern Dutchess News. "In this situation, the Bertelsmann poll site is ADA compliant where St. John's is not. We know this because the County sent out a consultant to survey the site for ADA compliance and it did not pass."

Black said she has not heard any community backlash about no longer using the church as a polling site.

But Town of Red Hook Republican Committee Chair Corinne Weber has

heard some of the chatter from residents.

"The issue (is) of too many people trying to get into the little church. That happens sometimes, but I remember when they voted at the school when it was outside the building. I don't believe having to move it for a larger size is necessarily the reason, neither was handicapped accessibility," Weber told the Northern Dutchess News. "So it is a disadvantage, to a degree. Basically, a lot of college students vote Democratic. There are just so many people who feel that Bard students influence our local voting, so they don't like moving it out of the church."

Haight told the Northern Dutchess News that, while he too was initially against the decision, it's more or less out of his hands now that a new state law is in

effect mandating that college campuses with more than 300 registered voters on campus should have their own poll site.

Being that Bard is wholly contained within Red Hook District 5, the college is now a polling site.

Haight said he is "still philosophically against super-enfranchising one group of voters at the expense of another group of voters.

"With that said, Albany politicians being what they are, would rather make it more convenient for college student voters – that typically vote Democrat – than permanent tax paying voters that are not mindless liberals," he said. "I have been contacted via email and by phone by two voters who are upset with the change, and I agree."

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2022-23 'HEAP' information

With a sharp rise in energy bills likely to come this winter, the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) provides eligible customers with assistance in paying home heating bills. Regular HEAP application season is scheduled to open on Tuesday, Nov. 1. That's when eligible residents can begin submitting applications for assistance, either in person or online.

Customers who qualify for HEAP may also receive a Clean and Tune benefit, providing for the cleaning and maintenance of primary heating equipment.

The Dutchess County Office for the Aging will have more on the upcoming HEAP season in the next week. Call them at 845-486-2555, email to ofa@dutchessny.gov or visit www.dutchessny.gov/aging.



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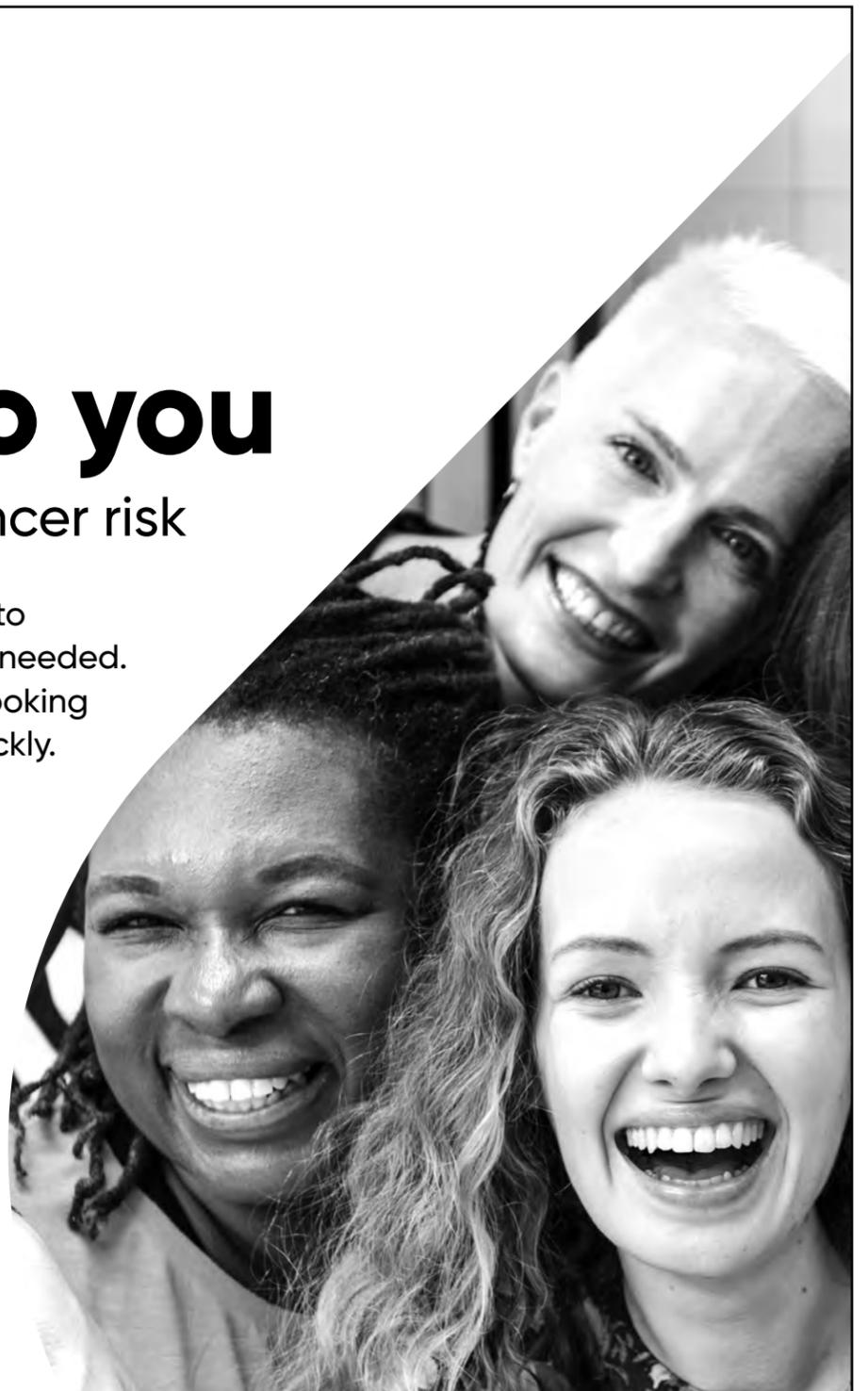
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Senator Michelle Hinchey has it right

To the editor:

Save a penny here, save a penny there—it all adds up. That was the credo of my parents, children of the Great Depression. But it wasn't all about saving. We save so that we can spend—wisely, in ways that improve our quality of life.

On November 8th I'll be voting for State Senator Michelle Hinchey (D) in District 41, who understands the constructive relationship of saving/spending. For example, in her first term she wrote and passed legislation to ban estimated billing (last year Central Hudson actually read our meter once) and called for an investigation of the company's billing practices and charges. Money not spent on mysterious utility bills is available for other important housing costs.

Continuing a family tradition, Senator Hinchey is a champion of clean water investments and environmental preservation. As the chair of the Committee on Agriculture, she worked to help farmers deal with the effects of the climate crisis. Smart investments in clean water and air save larger expenditures on pollution-related health care costs. Hinchey's opponent, Sue Serino (R), consistently voted against legislation to support a clean environment and received an "F" grade from the New York League of Conservation Voters.

Most thoughtful parents understand that consistent, adequate funding of public education gives their children a better chance at secure and productive lives. Senator Hinchey's record in the State Senate—support for universal pre-K and affordable child care—documents her commitments. Senator Serino, in contrast, voted against education funding included in a number of bills. Robotic "No" responses to government spending don't serve the public's long-term interests.

Senator Hinchey has the right formula: Look for savings where we can promote affordable day-to-day living and fight for investments in programs that support better communities for all of us.

Tom Denton
New Paltz

Diplomacy, not war, in Ukraine

To the editor:

The world is facing a possible nuclear third world war, fundamentally, because of tensions between two ethnic groups, Ukrainians and Russians, within Ukraine.

Wise people found solutions for similar situations in Canada and Belgium, between ethnic groups whose languages were quite dissimilar, more so than Ukrainian and Russian.

Instead, U. S. strategists regarded the Ukraine ethnic tensions as something to exploit, hoping to lure Russia into a quagmire defending ethnic Russians in Ukraine and preventing potential nuclear missiles on Russia's border, with little concern for what are now seven million refugees, or the thousands killed.

The solution now, as always, is diplomacy. Only candidates for office who demand diplomacy and refuse to continue funding this tragic war that risks a nuclear third world war, deserve our votes (and will get mine). Ukraine had several opportunities for a graceful diplomatic solution, in 2014/2015 with the Minsk Accords, and recently in a 2022 deal that former UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson apparently killed, although no Ukrainian, or Russian, ever voted for him. It is likely a future diplomatic solution will be less favorable to Ukraine than those.

Frank Stoppenbach
Red Hook

Union Vale supervisor backs Schmitt for Congress

To the editor:

Recently, Assemblyman Colin Schmitt, who is the candidate for the NY18 congressional district, attended a meet-and-greet breakfast in Union Vale to discuss his vision for the Hudson Valley. I was happy to hear that a lot of his platform focuses on the safety of Dutchess County residents. He supports the police and over 15 police organizations have endorsed him because of his track record in the state legislature of funding and supporting the police and introducing legislation to end the dangerous

ramifications of cashless bail. We also discussed actionable items to ensure America's economy is strong through pro-growth tax and deregulatory policies so that good-paying jobs can be created here in the Hudson Valley. For these and many other bi-partisan legislative accomplishments as a member of the Local Government Committee, Colin Schmitt is a great fit for Dutchess County!

Betsy Maas
Supervisor, Town of Union Vale

Rolison 'does not believe in defunding the police'

To the editor:

Democratic Assemblyman Jonathan Jacobson voted in 2019 to pass the bail reform laws that have led to record levels of violent crime throughout New York state in the past three years. Now, his chief of staff, Julie Shiroishi, is running for the state senate in the 39th district.

Thankfully, voters have a viable alternative. Rob Rolison has served as mayor in the city of Poughkeepsie since 2015. During that time, Mayor Rolison has turned Poughkeepsie around in many areas. As a retired detective from the Town of Poughkeepsie Police Department with 30 years experience in law enforcement, Rob has strengthened the police department and helped to curtail crime within its borders. He does not believe in "defunding the police."

As a retired City of Poughkeepsie detective, I have known and worked with Rob Rolison for more than 30 years. It is not surprising to me that Rob has received the endorsement of many PBAs representing law enforcement in the Hudson Valley.

If you are concerned about the safety of your family and your community, I urge you to vote for the only candidate who opposes these misguided bail reform laws.

Elect Rob Rolison on November 8th!

Paul Herman
Poughkeepsie

Vote yes on new Clinton Library budget

To the editor:

Town of Clinton residents should flip over their election ballots to vote YES on a proposition on the back for a new budget for the Clinton Community Library.

The new budget would be \$149,800, up from the one approved by voters in 2017 of \$115,000. That's an increase of less than \$7,000 per year over the past five years, which amounts to less than \$5 a year for each house in the Town.

Since 2017 our Library has doubled the number of adults and children served through its programs, seen a 76 percent increase in visits and loaned out 54 percent more materials.

Despite that impressive surge in service, spending per Town resident is the second lowest of all the libraries in the county and less than half of the average.

The new budget will enable the Library to remain open 36 hours a week, continue the purchase of new books, audio-books, downloadable materials, DVDs and other items. It will allow more popular Library concerts, children's programs, community outreach and other special events that are free to all.

The Clinton Community Library is a valuable and unique resource for Town of Clinton residents. It is a welcoming place for learning, entertainment and sharing of experience and thought among neighbors.

Please vote YES on the budget proposition for the Clinton Community Library.

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REMEMBERING CLAUDIO COPPOLA, TEN YEARS LATER...

Dear Claudio,

It hard to believe that it's been 10 years. Ten years since your time ended here on earth; and though to you those 10 years are nothing more than a grain of sand on the beach of time, it feels like an eternity for us.

Even after 10 years we still miss you. There are good days and bad days. However, the good days are gratifying, and we find ourselves telling funny stories about you. Your family and friends have all grown up. Some are engaged, some are married. Some still live in the area while others have moved away. We enjoy whenever they come and visit and tell us a story that we hadn't heard yet. Or give us a detail about your life that we hadn't knowm. We look forward to you expressing yourself in our daily lives. A surprise blue Hydrangea bloom, a butterfly, your sports number 18 in an unusual place.

Your foundation, The Claudio Cares Foundation, is still in operation. Though the pandemic has slowed us down, we still find ways to let your legacy be known. We have built seven Claudio Coppola Memorial Computer Rooms. Your can drive has generated over 250,000 pounds of non-perishable food items that helped feed

thousands of families in the Dutchess County area that was collected by kids, teenagers and adults and brought to us on your birthday December 17th. Rain, snow or shine, we are outside as people pull up with their cases and bags of canned goods. Out of ten years we have only had one day that it didn't snow so we would really appreciate it if you could maybe ask the big guy to give us some good weather. Young people continue to collect through their teams, schools and clubs and bring us canned goods.

With the help of your family, friends, classmates, and strangers, we were able to fundraise and give away over \$150,000 in the form of donations, scholarships and awards. Claudio's Can Drive, Claudio's Snowflake Gala, and the Claudio Coppola Memorial Golf Tournament also called "The Claude," were major happenings and helped us raise all the funds that we donated and will continue to donate in the future. We hope that in the years to come we will be able to resume our fundraising once everyone has recovered from these tough times. Your mom wants to have at least one more Snowflake Gala and make one final donation to help with Mental Health in young people.

Claudio, all of this was done because of you! We delight in

telling people of your generosity and selflessness. You encouraged both adults and young people throughout the Hudson Valley to give of themselves and help us to help others. We continue to receive calls and emails, from people far and wide asking how they can be a part of the Claudio Cares Foundation. Your inspiration knows no bounds.

Claudio, you have inspired us to do many good things. We wish you were physically here to help us and participate. We hear you speaking to us, encouraging us. We feel your presence and listen to your ideas.

Well Claudio, you told us how wonderful it is in heaven in a dream to your mother. We know we will be seeing you shortly because our time here on earth is short compared to time in paradise. Continue speaking to us. Continue inspiring us. Continue watching over us. We need you and appreciate that you have stayed with us. Take care, Our Sweet Boy.

Love always,
Mom, Dad, Marcanthony, Geno, and Clara

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“Then maybe I’ll help out at the food pantry or the library. I want to keep seeing people as much as I can.” She remarked that some of her female friends are promising regular luncheon gatherings, as well.

Talking about their lifetime’s experiences at the feed store, Pam and Matt recall people and events with a warm tone.

“The people were the most important part,” said Pam. “We have had several generations of the same families coming in. A mom would bring in one of the little ones when she came in, and now that little one is bringing in his or her own little ones. I’ve loved watching that.”

“We’ve had a lot of memorable times and regular events that we always enjoyed,” said Matt. “The ‘flea dip’ was kind of an annual thing. We’d put out a kiddie pool filled with the dip and folks would bring down their dogs. They’d stick ‘em in the pool and then we’d hose them down and wipe them with towels. It was such a production that Donnie Traver and a couple of folks from the ‘River Bank Banjo Band’ would come down to play for the afternoon. They called themselves the ‘Flea Dippers Band.’”

One year a guy showed up at the fire hall up the street driving a real covered Connestoga Wagon. As Matt recounts the tale, “It must have been in the mid-’90s. He said he was going from Maine to California. He was carrying his food and stuff along with some chickens and rabbits. The fire guys told him he could find food for the horses and for the other livestock down here. That was the only time we had a Connestoga Wagon parked out front. I always wondered if he made it to California.”

Another favorite annual event has been the Photos with Santa Paws. Customers brought in their pets or maybe other livestock for a photo with Santa.

“People always looked forward to this one,” said Matt. “We will be working with the Salt Point Fire Company to continue the tradition.”

Likely the biggest annual event the store supported all of these years has been the Dutchess County Fair. Matt notes that

his Mom began at the Fair when she was 8 years old.

“I showed a Hereford cow,” Pam recalled, “It might have been one of Cal Smith’s cows.”

Then there was the year she showed up competing at the same time as FDR, Jr. Pam appears to have won that one, too.

The Cady family is well known throughout the county for their commitment to community service, whether through the volunteer fire departments, Trees for Troops - the Christmas trees for service military service personnel program - and other veterans related projects. They’ve also made sure their business was giving back, too.

“I’m a fire investigator for the county,” said Matt. “I wanted to do some more, though. So, we’ve provided the food to feed the sheriff’s departments fire investigative K9s.” In recalling that service, Cady recites the names of each of the dogs with a warm smile.

“Great dogs,” he said. For the Cady family, the Feed Business has always been less about commerce than it has been about the people involved.

“I can’t tell you how many 4-H Clubs have come in here, or the kids we’ve encouraged and helped” said Matt. “Some of them even came to work for us. That was another way they learned and grew.”

“It’s the people I’ll miss the most,” said Pam. She and Matt finished their announcement with a thanks to the community.

“We want to thank you for your continued support and loyalty over the years. We would not have been in business for as long as we have without that support. It has meant the world to us to have been chosen by you to take care of your most precious pets and animals over the years. Thank you.”

They mean it most sincerely and the community spent much of the past week coming through their door to return that thanks with sincerity.

An era in Pleasant Valley has come to a close.



Above, Pam Cady works behind the counter at G. E. Masten Feed Store in Pleasant Valley. Below, the Cady family said “Thank You” to all of its supporters over the past 41 years with the special sign outside the store. Photos by Jim Donick and Curtis Schmidt



Walk to raise funds for Huntington’s disease at Walkway Oct. 23

The Huntington’s Disease Society of America’s (HDSA) Northeast Region will be hosting the Hudson Valley Team Hope Walk on Sunday, Oct. 23, at 10 a.m. at Walkway Over the Hudson, 61 Parker Avenue, Poughkeepsie.

Team Hope is HDSA’s largest national grassroots fundraising event, which takes place in more than 100 cities across the U.S. and has raised more than \$20

million for Huntington’s disease since its inception in 2007. Thousands of families, friends, co-workers, neighbors, and communities walk together each year to support HDSA’s mission to improve the lives of people affected by Huntington’s disease and their families.

Huntington’s disease is a fatal genetic disease that affects the nerve cells in the brain that is described as having ALS,

Parkinson’s, and Alzheimer’s disease all at once. Today, there are approximately 41,000 symptomatic Americans and more than 200,000 at risk of inheriting the disease.

For more information, visit <https://northeast.hdsa.org/events/hudson-valley-team-hope-walk>.

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DBCH to host Monkeypox Vaccine Clinic Oct. 25 in East Fishkill

The Dutchess County Department of Behavioral & Community Health (DBCH) will be hosting an upcoming JYNNEOS/Monkeypox vaccine clinics for residents at the highest risk of monkeypox infection. The clinic will take place on Tuesday, Oct. 25, from 1 to 4 p.m., at the Sloop Brewery, 755 East Drive, Suite 106, East Fishkill.

Register via the DBCH website at www.dutchessny.gov.

An earlier clinic was held on Oct. 17.

Education, outreach and vaccinations have helped keep the number of reported monkeypox cases in Dutchess County very low, with no new cases reported since Aug. 24 and no current active cases.

Residents must meet current eligibility criteria set by New York State to register for an appointment. According to the NYSDOH, those eligible for monkeypox vaccine at this clinic include:

- Individuals with recent monkeypox exposure to a suspected or confirmed case of monkeypox in the past 14 days.
- Those at high risk of recent exposure to monkeypox, including members of the gay, bisexual, transgender, and gender non-conforming community and other communities of men who have sex with men and who have engaged in intimate or skin-to-skin contact with others in the past 14 days in areas where monkeypox is spreading.

- Individuals who have had skin-to-skin contact with someone in a social network experiencing monkeypox activity, including men who have sex with men who meet partners through an online website, digital app, or social event, such as a bar or party.

- Any individual that may be at risk of future exposure to infection with monkeypox, even though they are not at high risk of recent exposure to monkeypox.

The JYNNEOS monkeypox vaccine is given in a two-dose series, 28-35 days apart. Individuals are considered to be fully vaccinated two weeks after the second dose of vaccine.

DBCH Commissioner Dr. Livia Santiago-Rosado said, "When monkeypox cases were initially being reported, our public health team got right to work educating the public about monkeypox and offering vaccinations to those at the highest risk. Thankfully those efforts have been successful as there no active cases in our community. We encourage everyone, particularly those in high-risk populations, to be mindful about monkeypox and consider vaccination if eligible."

The first case of monkeypox in Dutchess County was reported on July 21. There have been a total of 10 cases, including the initial case, reported in Dutchess County, with no new reported cases since Aug. 24. DBCH Public Health Advisors worked in conjunction

with local organizations and businesses, including Dutchess Pride, Sun River Health, Sloop Brewery in East Fishkill and the Roosevelt Bar in Beacon, on community outreach to inform and educate the public about Monkeypox and how to avoid spread. Several vaccination clinics have been held for eligible residents and to date more than 209 individuals have been vaccinated.

Monkeypox virus is part of the same family of viruses as variola virus, the virus that causes smallpox and is spread through close, physical contact between people and anyone can get it. However, based on the epidemiology, certain populations are being affected more than others, including men who have sex with men (MSM).

The virus spreads through contact with an infected person's rash, or potentially through respiratory droplets from prolonged face to face contact. The virus may also spread through contact with objects that were used by an infected person (clothing, bedding or towels). Children aged 8 or under, and pregnant or immunocompromised individuals have a higher risk of severe illness or complications, but these are rare.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends residents take the following steps to prevent getting monkeypox:

- Do not touch the rash or scabs of a person with monkeypox;

- Avoid close, skin-to-skin contact with people with a rash that looks like monkeypox, or who may have been exposed to monkeypox;

- Do not kiss, hug, cuddle or have sex with someone with monkeypox or someone suspected or known to have been exposed;

- Do not share eating utensils or cups with a person with monkeypox or someone suspected or known to have been exposed;

- Do not handle or touch the bedding, towels or clothing of a person with monkeypox or of someone suspected or known to have been exposed; and

- Wash your hands often with soap and water or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

A person is considered contagious until all lesions have healed over with intact skin. The CDC advises those sick with monkeypox to isolate at home and stay in separate from others and pets, when possible.

Residents can call DBCH staff for education and guidance on Monkeypox at 845-486-3404. For more information on Monkeypox or to fill out the Monkeypox vaccine questionnaire visit dutchessny.gov/Departments/DBCH/emergent-health.htm.

Medicare open enrollment under way through Dec. 7

Medicare open enrollment runs through December 7. It's the time when beneficiaries can make changes in their health plan or prescription drug coverage and other options that take effect Jan 1.

Free and objective counseling is available to help beneficiaries navigate their options. The New York State Office for the Aging (NYSOFA) encourages older New Yorkers to utilize this assistance. It is available through the NYSOFA-administered Health Insurance Information, Counseling and Assistance Program (HIICAP), which helped 248,000 New Yorkers in 2021.

To reach a local counselor, call the helpline at 800-701-0501.

NYSOFA Director Greg Olsen said: "Your insurance coverage changes from year to year. So do your individual needs as a Medicare beneficiary, such as newly prescribed prescription drugs, having different physicians who may not be in a plan's network, or changes in your financial status that might make you eligible for assistance to cover out-of-pocket costs. HIICAP counselors are a trusted resource to review your current needs and help you make informed decisions, especially at this critical time during open enrollment. Every beneficiary should take this opportunity to fine-tune their needs."

Upcoming Facebook livestream to answer questions

On October 27 at 1 p.m., NYSOFA will be featuring a livestream on Facebook covering "Medicare Open Enrollment: What You Need to Know." The program is part of a monthly series where NYSOFA Director Greg Olsen features guest experts on topics of interest to older adults.

NYSOFA's guests on Oct. 27 include Heather Leddick, who is the primary administrator for HIICAP in New York State. She'll discuss the HIICAP program, what it offers, and how to get assistance.

The livestream will also include Frederic Riccardi, President of the Medicare Rights Center. He'll explain the 2023 changes in Medicare, including expansion of Medicaid and the Medicare Savings Program (MSP), among other updates.

RSVP for the program via NYSOFA's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/NYSAGING> on Oct. 27 at 1 p.m. to watch the program and ask questions of the experts in the livestream chat.

Heather Leddick, administrator for HIICAP in New York, said: "With over 500 trained HIICAP counselors throughout the state, Medicare beneficiaries, their families, and caregivers have access to a trusted known community resource. We encourage beneficiaries to contact 1-800-701-0501 to schedule a one-on-one counseling appointment at any time throughout the open enrollment period and throughout the year. This free, unbiased service provides education and information to help you make informed decisions about your personal health care needs."

Frederic Riccardi, President of the Medicare Rights Center, said: "As

people with Medicare weigh their coverage choices for the upcoming year, health care costs are an important consideration. Starting in 2023, people who live in New York and have a limited income may be newly eligible to receive assistance with their health care costs through a Medicare Savings Program (MSP). On January 1, eligibility for this vital program will expand for New Yorkers, and if someone is currently enrolled in an MSP, they may receive more comprehensive benefits.

HIICAP in detail

During open enrollment, or at any time of the year, HIICAP can help you:

- Understand the Medicare prescription drug benefit (Medicare Part D) and how to select the best plan.

- Understand low-income subsidy programs, including Extra Help and Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs).

- Find ways to pay for your medications or medical equipment.

- Understand and apply for the Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC) program.

- Choose between original Medicare and Medicare Advantage plans.

- Understand Medicare rules and your medical bills.

- Report possible Medicare fraud or abuse.

- Provide information on how to appeal a decision by Medicare, your managed care provider or other health insurance company.

- Discover ways to fill in Medicare's gaps.

- Learn how to file a Medicare or Medigap complaint.

- Learn about Medicare-covered prevention and screenings.

Protecting yourself

Medicare experts report a higher risk of potential fraud during the open-enrollment period as well as potentially misleading marketing. Medicare has rules about how plans can and cannot communicate with you to market their insurance products. The Medicare Rights Center offers the following warnings:

- Plans are allowed to mail or e-mail you but are not allowed to call or visit you in person without your permission.

- Beware of people who pressure about making plan changes, claim to be representing Medicare, or attempt to alarm you about losing benefits unless you enroll in a particular plan.

- Beneficiaries who believe they are a victim of fraud or identity theft should contact Medicare. More information is available at [Help Fight Medicare Fraud](http://HelpFightMedicareFraud.gov).

NYSOFA and Medicare also remind older adults to treat their Medicare number as they do their Social Security number and credit card information. People with Medicare should never give their personal information to anyone arriving at their home uninvited or making unsolicited phone calls selling Medicare-related products or services. If someone calls and asks for a recipient's Medicare number or other personal information, hang up and call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227).



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Suspects arraigned in Marriott shooting

by Rich Thomaselli

Roy Johnson Jr., suspected in the Oct. 2 shooting death of the father of a Marist College student at the Courtyard Marriott Hotel in Poughkeepsie, was arraigned on Friday, Oct. 14, in Dutchess County Court and was charged with murder in the second degree, a Class A-1 felony.

Johnson, 35, was also charged with criminal possession of a weapon in the second degree. He entered a plea of not guilty through his court-appointed attorney. Johnson was ordered by Dutchess County Court Judge Edward McLoughlin to return to the Dutchess County Jail without bail.

Johnson's accomplice, Devin Taylor,

28, was charged with three felony counts of criminal possession of a weapon. He also pleaded not guilty.

Johnson was charged with killing 53-year old Long Island resident Paul Kutz, who was visiting the area with his wife and staying at the Courtyard Marriott Hotel on Route 9 in the Town of Poughkeepsie for Family Weekend at

Marist.

Kutz is the father of three boys, including a 2022 Marist graduate and a current sophomore at the college.

Town of Poughkeepsie Police Chief Joseph Cavaliere previously said he believes the killing was completely random and that Kutz did not know either man nor had any interaction with them.

988 SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE IS LIVE

The first nationwide three-digit mental health crisis hotline is up and running. It is designed to be as easy to remember as 911, but when you dial 988, a dispatcher will connect

callers with trained mental health counselors. Dialing 988:

- Is a direct connection to compassionate, accessible support for anyone experiencing mental health related distress.
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Annual Coat Drive runs throughout October

From now through Oct. 31, new or gently used coats can be donated to any Guardian Self Storage location, Red Cap Cleaners, Rhinebeck Bank and Raymour and Flanigan (Showroom or Outlet). Boys coats and adult XL or larger are in demand.

From October 2022 to March 2023, Dutchess Outreach will distribute all donated coats.

For additional information, contact: Mary Dynes, Coat Drive Volunteer Manager at (845) 758-9063 or marydynes@hriyc.org; or Nyhisha T. Gibbs, Manager of Volunteers at (845) 454-3792 or nyhisha@dutchessoutreach.org.

Grief Support Group

On the third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m., St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Pleasant Valley hosts a Grief Support Group facilitated by the Rev. Heather Sisk, Episcopal Priest and Spiritual Director with Liz Whitman, MSW. We offer a brief healing service beforehand at 6:45. Come to either or both. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call (845) 635-2854, email stpaulspv@gmail.com or visit www.stpaulspv.org. Accessible facilities.

Lyall Church in Millbrook offers programs

The Anti-Racist Study Group has been meeting for several years. We currently meet on Mondays, at 12:30 p.m. by Zoom. We invite anyone to join us who wants to explore the issues of race and caste in our country. Our study group is welcoming and hospitable. Contact Cat Greenstreet (catgreenstreet@gmail.com) or Pastor Thom if you're interested.

Two other ongoing programs at Lyall are Meals on Wheels at Millbrook and Food For Folks Food Pantry (emergency support). The service area of both these programs is limited to the Town of Washington Village of Millbrook.

MHA of Dutchess County Vet2Vet Support Group set

MHA of Dutchess County Vet2Vet Support Group will be held on Wed., Oct. 19, from 3 to 4 p.m., at 515 Haight Avenue, Poughkeepsie. These group serves as an outlet for veterans to discuss with peers their opinions, challenges, successes and anything else in order to regain balance in their lives. The group is free, confidential and judgment-free. The support group is open to all veterans despite discharge type, time in services or period of service. Active, Inactive and National Guard members are welcome as well.

RSVP is required. Masks and social distancing required. For more information, call (845) 473-2500, ext. 1306 or 1307 or 1365.

Tick Task Force meeting set Oct. 19

An in-person Tick Task Force meeting will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 19, at 4 p.m. in the Dutchess County Office Building in the Republican Caucus Room. The building is at 22 Market St. in Poughkeepsie. This meeting was originally scheduled for October 18.

For more information, call 845-486-2100.

Stop the Spread with Cornell Cooperative

The Town of Clinton Conservation Advisory Council with Joyce Tomaselli of Cornell Cooperative Extension- Dutchess County will host "Stop the Spread" on Thursday, Oct. 10, at 6 p.m. Newly discovered species in New York are causing concern, like the Spotted Lanternfly, Beech Leaf Disease and Jumping worms.

Register on the Clinton Community Library website calendar to receive the Zoom link.

'Starting A Business' series continues

The second installment of The Rhinebeck Area Chamber of Commerce's Coffee Connect Workshop series, "Starting A Business," will be held Thursday, Oct. 20, from 8:30-9:30 p.m. at Co. Rhinebeck. The speaker will be Sam Kandel, the Regional Director of the Mid-Hudson Small Business Development Center (SBDC). Learn

what makes a successful startup possible as well as what must be in place to keep the business running successfully. The series is free for Chamber and CO. members. Non-members are also welcome for a fee of \$15 per person.

Public hearing on sanitary code in county set Oct. 20

The Dutchess County Board of Health will hold a Public Hearing regarding proposed amendments to the Dutchess County Sanitary Code on Thursday, October 20, at 3:30 p.m. at the Dutchess County Department of Behavioral & Community Health located at 85 Civic Center Plaza - Suite 106 in the City of Poughkeepsie.

A current version of the Dutchess County Sanitary Code and the proposed amendments to Article 25 of the Dutchess County Sanitary Code can be found on the Dutchess County Department of Behavioral & Community Health website. Prior to the hearing, written comments may be submitted electronically by email to wcad@duchessny.gov before noon on Oct. 20.

The public is welcome to attend. For more information, contact (845) 486-3432.

Fall Rhinecliff Soup Sales

The Rhinebeck Grange sponsors Rhinecliff's Fall Soup Sales on the third Thursday of the month: Oct. 20, Nov. 17 and Dec. 15, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Soups are sold by the quart, \$10/quart, take-out only.

The Soup Sale is at the Rhinecliff Firehouse, on the corner of Shatzell Avenue and Orchard in Rhinecliff. Pick up at side window on Orchard Street. Email JoBaer2@gmail.com to be emailed the soup choices for each month and pre-order online.

Office for the Aging to present documentary on social isolation

Dutchess County Office for the Aging is taking part in a special free screening of the new documentary "All the Lonely People" at Boardman Road Library, 141 Boardman Road in Poughkeepsie, on Friday, Oct. 21, at 1 p.m. Register in advance by contacting OFA during business hours at (845) 486-2555.

"All The Lonely People" tells the stories of a handful of people from many different walks of life, offering intimate access to their struggles to overcome their own loneliness and isolation. It's part of a statewide screening tour organized by the New York State Office for the Aging (NYSOFA), and the Association on Aging in New York (AgingNY).

Starr Library sets Book Sale Oct. 21-22

Starr Library, at 68 West Market St., Rhinebeck, will hold its October Book Sale on Friday, Oct. 21, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Saturday, Oct. 22, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

The Book Sale will feature books about Native Americans, a collection of books of local interest, and many art books. There will be books sorted by subject and by author - making it easier to find your favorites. There are more children's books than ever, ranging from picture books for the younger kids to chapter books and to young adult fiction and non-fiction. Older fiction is 50 cents; nonfiction and newer fiction is \$3; trade paperbacks are \$2; children's paperbacks are 4/\$1 and hardcovers are \$1; and lots of YA books from 25 cents. Sponsored by Friends of Starr Library. Masks required at the book sale.

Call (845) 876-4030 or visit www.starrlibrary.org for more information.

Volunteer Fair set Oct. 22 in Millbrook

On Saturday, Oct. 22, Millbrook Library will welcome over 15 organizations to advertise their volunteer opportunities to local teens and adults. The Millbrook Library will host this inaugural volunteer fair for the immediate and surrounding communities as part of The Great Give-Back, a Mid-Hudson Library System initiative. The library

invites all adults and teens to come and meet local organizations making a difference in the community and learn how they can help.

Participating organizations represent a diverse slate of causes - from medical care to horse therapy, ecological groups to food banks. For more information, contact Kristin Perkins at kperkins@millbrooklibrary.org.

Primrose Hill School sets Harvest Gala

On Saturday, Oct. 22, at 6 p.m., Primrose Hill School will host a cocktail-style event at Co. in Rhinebeck, offering local fare are libations, live music, dancing, community and fundraising to kick off their 2022-2023 capital campaign. Music will be provided by 2022 Grassroots Festival act Dirty Mae and fresh local fare from GroundedNY.

The pandemic delayed Primrose Hill School's ability to raise funds for its capital campaign which will allow the school to purchase the property it is situated on and begin expansion projects. Funds raised during the gala will contribute toward the vision for the school campus at 23 Spring Brook Park in Rhinebeck, New York, where the school has expanded to 8th grade over the past 10 years.

Purchase tickets via EventBrite. Email development@primrosehillschool.com for additional information.

Discover and drive into local history on Staatsburg Library's Road Ramble

Staatsburg Library invites you to ride into local history on its 2022 Road Ramble on Saturday, Oct. 22. This mash-up is part scavenger hunt, part trivia contest, and serves as the library's fall fundraiser. Follow clues that will take you on a self-guided driving tour to fascinating and surprising spots throughout Hyde Park and Staatsburg.

Ramblers get three hours to complete the course. It's not a race, but the team that comes up with the most correct answers wins the Ramble Trophy. Light breakfast and lunch included.

The event runs 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost, pre-registered, is \$20 per person (2 to 3 people in a car) or \$70 per car of 4 people. The day of cost is \$25 per person (2 to 3 people in a car) or \$80 per car for 4 people. Registration is capped at 25 cars. To sign up and for information, visit staatsburglibrary.org.

Millbrook VFW event to host former NY Giants star Alford

The Millbrook VFW Post 9008 is hosting a fundraiser on Sunday, Oct. 23, at 82 BBO, located at the corner of Route 82 and Tompkins Road in Verbank, with New York Giants Super Bowl XLII Champion player Jay Alford during the Giants-Jaguars 1 p.m. game. Alford will be on hand to sign autographs and pose for photos. There will be raffles throughout the game.

Thanks to Ruge's Chevrolet for sponsoring this event. The VFW Post will have 8X10 photos available or fans can bring their own item to be signed. Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

Zoom panel set Oct. 23

On Sunday, Oct. 23, at 4 p.m., there will be a Zoom event, "Can We Talk About This?" which will also be held in front of selected live audience. The panelists are Bob Gelbach, Jewish Voice For Peace - HV, and David Drimer, Ulster County Jewish Federation. Topics will include Palestine, apartheid, and establishing a just peace. To register in advance for this Zoom panel, go to mideastcrisis.org or jvphudsonvalley.blogspot.com. Cosponsored by Jewish Voice For Peace - Hudson Valley, Middle East Crisis Response, New Paltz Women in Black, Ulster County Jewish Federation, and Veterans For Peace. Contact (845) 876-7906 for more information.

'Love it or Swap it' for Sinterklaas

Love it or Swap it, a used clothing benefit for Sinterklaas, will take place on Sunday, Oct 23 from noon to 4 p.m., at the Old Bulkeley Middle School Gym (newly named Dutchess Shepherd) at the corner of Market and Mulberry Street in Rhinebeck. The ultimate recycle event gives

guests a chance to swap out clothing from their closets and then choose from a wide selection of donated women's clothing, jewelry, accessories, handbags, and shoes. There is a \$25 donation, with all proceeds going to the Sinterklaas festival happening on Dec. 3. Visit https://sinterklaashudsonvalley.com/ for more information.

Virtual conversation around food insecurity set Oct. 26

The United Way Dutchess-Orange Region (UWDOR) will host a virtual Community Conversation about food insecurity on Wednesday, Oct. 26, from 9 a.m. to noon, via Zoom. This is a free event, but registration is required. Visit http://www.uwdor.org/community-conversation to register and for more information.

Morton Memorial Library to host event on 'green economy'

Morton Memorial Library will host "Divest from Fossil Fuels! Invest in a Green Economy to Protect Our Future" on Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 6 p.m. Michael Richardson from Rivers and Mountains Green Faith Circle will lead the conversation. The event is free and open to the public. Morton Memorial Library is at 82 Kelly St in Rhinecliff. Call (845) 876-2903 for more information.

Lagrangeville church to hold flea market and more

The Freedom Plains United Presbyterian Church (1168 Route 55, Lagrangeville) will hold its biannual Flea Market, Rummage Sale, Lunch and Bake Sale on Saturday, Oct. 29, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., rain or shine. Items include adult and children's clothing, shoes, coats, children's toys, books, linens, jewelry, household items, pictures, tools, furniture and more. A \$5 bag sale begins at 1:30 p.m. Proceeds benefit the youth Appalachian Service Project mission trip this summer. Call (845) 452-0684 for more information.

Free pumpkin carving event at Big Rock Market

Big Rock Market, at 6031 Route 82 in Stanfordville, will hold its annual free pumpkin carving event on Oct. 29 and 30, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Carvers supplied with apple cider, donuts, knives and a pre-gutted pumpkin to add to the market's display that will be lit Sunday at 6 p.m. The market will feature a huge pumpkin maze on its front lawn with pumpkins and mums available to purchase all of October.

Pleasant Valley church sets free lecture

ANGELS & DEMONS: "Medieval Visions in Word, Art & Icon" is a free evening lecture taking place 7-8:30 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 30, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church 808 Traver Road, Pleasant Valley. The Rev. Dr. Clair W. McPherson is a renowned scholar in Early Medieval Studies. He has taught at NYU, Fordham, and The General Theological Seminary. For more information, call (845) 635-2854.

Elks to sponsor Halloween blood drive in Poughkeepsie

A blood drive will be held at the Elks Lodge 275, 29 Overocker Road, in Poughkeepsie on October 31, from 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. One can schedule to donate blood at www.RedCrossBlood.org and use sponsor code: Elks275. New donors are needed. One's donation can help save up to three lives. Come to give blood in October and get a \$5 e-gift card to a merchant of one's choice. Terms apply, see rcblood.org/boo.

FARMERS MARKETS

Arlington Farmers Market: Vassar Alumnae Lawn, 123 Raymond Ave., Poughkeepsie. Thursdays, 2-6 p.m. through Oct. 27. www.arlingtonhasit.org

Germantown Farmers Market: Palatine Park, Germantown. Saturdays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., through Oct. 29. germantownfarmersmarket@gmail.com

Millbrook Farmers Market: Front St., Millbrook. Saturdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., through Oct. 29. millbrookmarketmanager@gmail.com

Paul's Hyde Park Farmers Market: Across from Hyde Park Town Hall on Route 9. Saturdays, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. through October.

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'Thriving in Rhinebeck' set Oct. 22

Thriving in Rhinebeck: a Showcase of Services and Resources for Older Adults returns on Saturday, October 22, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Rhinebeck High School, 45 North Park Rd. "Our target audience is Rhinebeck and our neighboring communities – not just older adults, but their families, their caregivers, and others who will at some point really need to know how and where to reach out," said Nina Lynch, President of Rhinebeck at Home and a member of the organizing team. "We are trying to help build an age-friendly, resourceful community. Our 2019 event was widely praised, and we're happy to be back."

Featured speaker Dr. Peter Grant Jordan, President of Dutchess Community College, will talk in the auditorium about how DCC is gearing up to strengthen opportunities for learning across generations – from a college for kids (k-8), dual-credit high school programs, associate degree and certificate offerings, to adult workforce education, corporate training solutions, and senior education. The Alzheimer's Association will encourage us all in "How to Think about Alzheimer's", and Hudson Valley Hospice will explain how their programs and services have changed and expanded. Approximately 40 exhibitors will par-

ticipate, including healthcare and in-home care services, adult day care programs, transportation options, food delivery and nutrition help, guidance on downsizing. Rhinebeck High School students from the Interact Club will be on hand to greet attendees and help them navigate the school spaces. With Medicare's annual "open enrollment" season starting November 1, participants can be in the know with assistance from the Dutchess County Office for Aging's staff; and attendees can also get OFA guidance on improving their balance and preventing falls. Nuvance Health's Roufia Payman will talk about nutrition, and educational and advocacy groups will show what's on our November ballots.

Participation is free for all. Informational tables will fill the lobby and gym of Rhinebeck High School. Printed programs for attendees with the names of all participating organizations will be available. In addition to Rhinebeck at Home, the organizing team includes Archcare at Ferncliff, Rhinebeck Central School District, and Rhinebeck Rotary Club.

For more information, please call Rhinebeck at Home at 845-379-1114 or email office@rhinebeckathome.org.



'Thriving in Rhinebeck' returns on Oct. 22. Pictured are attendees and vendors from the 2019 event. *Courtesy photo*

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Cary Institute to host virtual science talk Oct. 20

On October 20 at 7 p.m., join Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies for a virtual science talk featuring Cary Institute Research Fellow Dr. Evan Gora in conversation with Cary President Dr. Joshua Ginsberg.

Trees are allies in the fight against climate change. As they grow, they capture carbon from the atmosphere and store it in their trunks, branches, and roots. Big trees play an outsized role in shaping our planet's climate. Globally, the largest 1% of trees store more than half of the carbon sequestered by forests. These long-lived giants also shape the environment around them.

Why do large trees die? And how does their loss impact carbon dynamics, biodiversity, and the composition of forests? These are among the questions that forest ecologist Dr. Evan Gora will discuss. His research combines fieldwork, modeling, big data, and emerging technology to understand and forecast threats to big trees, with a focus on lightning in the tropics.

Discover why large trees are so hard to study, and how Gora is revealing the role

that lightning plays in their death. We know from satellites that the tropics receive 100 million lightning strikes annually. Yet lightning has been understudied. Gora will share new insights on lightning's impact on big trees and their neighbors, including the anatomy of a strike, the role of lightning in carbon cycling, and why some tree species are killed by strikes while others actually benefit.

Gora holds a dual appointment as an Earl S. Tupper Postdoctoral Fellow of the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute. His work aims to guide forest management and resilient reforestation, with the goal of supporting trees that will live on to become large and healthy.

Join the conversation! This event is free and open to all and will include time for audience Q&A. Please register via Eventbrite to receive Zoom login info.

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For more information on this and other upcoming programs, visit <https://www.caryinstitute.org/events>.

Oktoberfest at Bangallworks to benefit Stanfordville Recreation Campaign

Oktoberfest at Bangallworks will be held to benefit Stanfordville Recreation Campaign on Saturday, October 22, from 1 to 4 p.m. at Bangallworks, 97 Hunns Lake Road in Stanfordville.

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Tickets prices are \$35 each, 2 for \$60 or 3+ for \$75.

To RSVP visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/oktoberfest-at-bangallworks-tickets-420398742957>. For more information, email the campaign at stanfordrecreationcommittee@gmail.com or see Instagram @stanfordreccampaign.

To drive Stanfordville's mission of providing a safe and inviting space to the community, they have launched The Stanfordville Recreation Campaign. This campaign will raise money to support the enhancement and renovation of the Stanfordville Recreation Center. Ground was broke in Spring '22 with the first phase, renovated tennis courts, complete in time for the whole community to enjoy in August of 2022.

Three charged in Walgreens robbery in LaGrange

New York State Troopers along with investigators from Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) responded to Walgreens on State Route 55 in the Town of Lagrange for a report of a robbery on October 11 around 9:35 a.m. Preliminary investigation revealed that three males entered the store and jumped over the pharmacy counter. They stole numerous medications then fled in a black Toyota Camry, according to State Police.

No weapons were displayed during the incident.

Troopers spotted the vehicle on the Taconic State Parkway near Carpenter Road and attempted to initiate a traffic stop. The vehicle failed to comply and subsequently crashed at Pudding Street and the Taconic State Parkway, according to law enforcement. All three suspects fled the vehicle on foot and were apprehended a short time later.

All three were transported to Westchester Medical Center for evaluation of non-life-threatening injuries. The three suspects are identified by law

enforcement as Darryl A. Odom Jr, 25, from Manhattan, Jason Wade, 21, from Brooklyn, and Bahkeem Cooke, 22, from Brooklyn.

State Police said the suspects were charged with the following:

Odom was charged with Robbery 3rd degree, Burglary 3rd degree, Conspiracy 5th degree, Petit Larceny. Odom also is wanted out of Bergen County, New Jersey, and New York City.

Wade was charged with Robbery 3rd degree, Burglary 3rd degree, Conspiracy 5th degree, Petit Larceny and is wanted by New York City Police Department.

Cooke, the operator of the vehicle, was charged with Robbery 3rd degree, Burglary 3rd degree, Conspiracy 5th degree and Unlawfully Fleeing.

All three were arraigned in the Town of Lagrange Court and were Released on their own Recognizance with a return date of Nov. 15. Wade and Odom were turned over to the New York City Police Department on outstanding charges.

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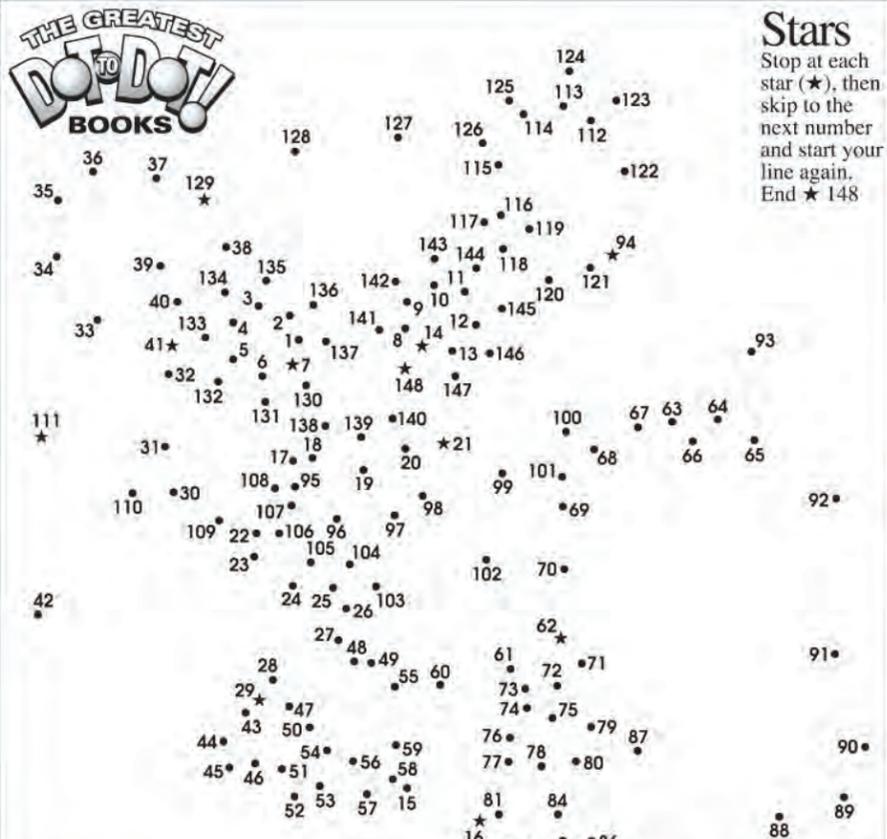
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Celebration of the Great Swamp set Oct. 22-23 in Pawling

Friends of the Great Swamp (FrOGS) will host the 26th Annual Celebration of the Great Swamp on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 22 and 23, at Christ Church on Quaker Hill (17 Church Road, Pawling). The celebration will be open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free to all.

The event will feature educational exhibits and talks as well as many hands-on activities for children, who will receive a Game Pack booklet and a "Passport to Fun" to document their travels through the event.

Activities will include a live hawks

and owls exhibit by Sharon Audubon Center (Saturday) and Master Falconer Jim Eyring's popular "Birds of Prey" demonstration (Sunday). Learn about "Native Plants for Pollinators" and "What's So Great About the Great Swamp?" from expert speakers.

Exhibits include a hands-on watershed demonstration table, live swamp animals, a macro-invertebrate display (insects, worms, crayfish), a clay animal sculpting table, and a matching animal-to-habitat game.

The drawing for a Kayak Raffle will occur Sunday afternoon.

A highlight of the celebration is a juried



The Celebration of the Great Swamp will take place on Quaker Hill in Pawling the weekend of Oct. 22-23. Activities at this family-friendly event include (above) Master Falconer Jim Eyring's "Birds of Prey" demonstration on Sunday, children's arts activities and art show & sale all weekend. *Courtesy photos*

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art show and sale, as well as a vendor section with local arts and crafts for sale, including pottery, silk and woven scarves, glass items, and jewelry. Last year, the art show featured more than 60 artists with over 100 works of painting, drawing, collage, and photography. It has been considered to be the finest autumn show of painting, plein air work, collage, textile art and photography in the Lower Hudson Valley. Colorful and inventive interpretations of the plants and animals of the Great Swamp created by students from local schools will greatly enliven the show.

Friends, supporters, members, and all residents in the surrounding communities are invited to join FrOGS for a weekend celebrating the awesome beauty, incalculable value, and prominent benefits of the Great Swamp. Each year this premier event is full of fun, educational, and inspirational activities for the whole family.

This annual event celebrates the Great Swamp, a 6,000-acre wetland stretching

20 miles through a valley at the eastern edge of the Hudson Highlands, from Dover in Dutchess County to Brewster in Putnam County. Although one of the largest freshwater wetlands in the state and called one of New York's "last great places," it remains mostly unknown to people who live beyond the watershed's borders. FrOGS hosts the celebration to bring attention to the value of the Great Swamp and to encourage its conservation as a source of clean water, a site for recreation, and a home for diverse and rare wildlife.

Proceeds from the Celebration go to both the artists and to FrOGS, which uses the money to further educational efforts, purchase land, and promote and protect the Great Swamp. For more information on the Great Swamp and FrOGS, the schedule of events for the 26th Annual Celebration of the Great Swamp, or other upcoming events such as hikes and paddles, visit www.frogs-ny.org.



Rhinebeck goes 'pink' for Breast Cancer Awareness



Businesses in the Village of Rhinebeck will have pink lights to honor Breast Cancer Awareness for the month of October. *Courtesy photo*

The Village of Rhinebeck is going pink - again!

In honor of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Northern Dutchess Hospital – with the support of the Rhinebeck community – will Light the Village Pink for the month of October to help high 'light' the importance of breast cancer awareness, early detection and the high-quality breast health program and services at Northern Dutchess Hospital.

Businesses and residents interested in lighting up for breast cancer awareness can pick up pink bulbs at: Rhinebeck Chamber of Commerce 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at Williams Lumber, Rhinebeck 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays.

At Northern Dutchess Hospital Foundation Office, 6531 Spring Brook Avenue, Rhinebeck, bulbs will be packaged and ready for pick up on the front porch

Area businesses and restaurants are also offering special promotions throughout the month that support the breast program at Northern Dutchess Hospital. For a list of participating businesses, visit the Light the Village Pink website: nuvance-health.org/lightthevillagepink

As part of Light the Village Pink, Dr. Lisa D. Curcio is hosting a Breast Health Forum at 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 27, 2022 at the Beekman Arms in Rhinebeck.

Dr. Curcio is Director of the Northern Dutchess Hospital Breast Program.

H.V. Gospel Festival set Oct. 22 in Poughkeepsie



The Hudson Valley Gospel Festival will be held on Oct. 22 in Poughkeepsie. *Courtesy photo*

The Hudson Valley Gospel Festival committee has announced a new date and place for the third Hudson Valley Gospel Festival. The festival will be held on October 22, from noon to 5 p.m. at The Family Partnership, 29 N. Hamilton Street, Poughkeepsie. Ticket prices are \$20 for adults and \$15 for students (K-College [with ID]), seniors, and veterans/active military. Children under 5 are free. Doors will open at 11 a.m. To purchase tickets: <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/2022HVGospel>.

The afternoon event will feature the Hudson Valley Gospel Festival Choir directed by Dr. Mary McLymore, Sisters

in Spirit of the Hudson Valley, The New Stars of Harmony, Andreas Humpert, the Mid-Hudson Chinese Christian Church Choir, and Tashan Pearse. New this year is the Hudson Valley Gospel Festival Praise Dance Team led by Linda Molina. Returning to the festival is the "Walk Through Gospel History," taking us on a musical journey through the roots of gospel music, this year featuring James Cleveland.

The Festival will also honor Louis Watson, an original member of the Goldenaires, who performed from the 1950s to the 1980s including on stage at Harlem's Apollo Theater.

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Learn more and purchase tickets at www.ndsorchestra.org



Our concert season is made possible, in part, through funding from the County of Dutchess and Dutchess Tourism, which is administered by Arts Mid-Hudson.

Cemetery tours, crawls highlight county history

by Will Tatum

While it seems like we are receiving all of our overdue summer rain at one time, the changing leaves signal that fall has once again returned to the Hudson Valley.

Amidst harvest festivals, apple picking and corn mazes, a bevy of local history bounty is up for offer as historical societies roll out their customary annual events. There is a special slate of programming on offer this month for the spooky season: Cemetery tours.

Dutchess County now offers residents an expansive menu of options for all tastes, ranging from self-guided scavenger hunts in burial grounds to fully costumed dramatic interpretations. Ranging in location from Hyde Park to Pine Plains, connoisseurs of the county's buried past have a month's worth of opportunities to explore the personages of Dutchess past.

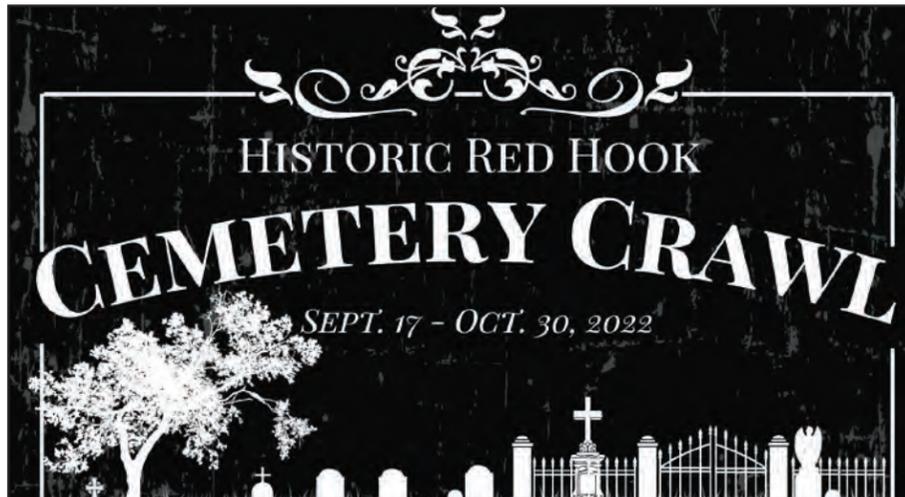
Historic Red Hook, the rookie on the list, returns for a second year of the Cemetery Crawl. Introduced in October 2021, this program combines self-guided tours of five local burial grounds with a scavenger hunt to encourage locals and visitors alike to probe the stories behind the tombstones.

For those with a competitive spirit, the scavenger hunt sheets (available online from historicrodhook.org/cemetery-crawl and in-person at the Elmendorph Inn) present a series of clues and questions

that challenge participants to find key data recorded on monuments in each cemetery. Scavenger hunt sheets are due on Friday, Oct. 21. On Oct. 30 at 1 p.m., contestants are invited to gather at the Elmendorph Inn for an awards event. For individuals and groups more interested in stories of the past, the program presents biographies of 59 individuals, ranging from Civil War generals to local bootleggers and arsonists. Read their biographies and check out their monuments while enjoying the splendid fall weather.

For people who prefer graveyard drama, there are three programs featuring costumed interpretation. The Pine Plains crew returns this year to Evergreen Cemetery on the north side of the town center, on Main Street, to explore a cast of real-life rural Dutchess characters.

Attendees will hear documented information, delivered in first person, from the lives of Isabel Knickerbocker Jordan, a 1930s nurse in northern Dutchess; French Chef Charles Virion; Isaac Phineas Carman, Pine Plains Town Supervisor and Superintendent of the Dutchess County Poorhouse; and World War One soldier Earl John Vosburgh, among many others. The Little Nine Partners Historical Society, the Pine Plains Free Library, and the Stissing Theatre Guild have collaborated to bring you this wonderful program. Tickets are available for multiple different showings on Oct. 21 and 22 at



The only program of its kind in Dutchess County - Historic Red Hook's Cemetery Crawl combines a self-guided tour of local burial grounds with a scavenger hunt delving into the colorful experiences of the town's past. *Photo courtesy of Historic Red Hook*

evergreencemeterytours2022eventbrite.com. While in the area, you can check out Dutch's Spirits, just outside of Pine Plains, to sample local Prohibition-era history along with modern distillery offerings. The town offers several excellent dining options and a wonderful coffee shop.

The Friends of Rhinebeck Cemetery have retained the services of Theatre on the Road, a local acting company, to provide attendees with a spookier experience still tied to local history. For the eight year running, six actors will portray historical denizens of Rhinebeck who are interred at the Rhinebeck Cemetery, which visitors can access through the Mill Road gates at 16 Mill Road.

Your guide, whom the website advises "may or may not be a ghost," will lead you on a walk during which you will encounter these stories and characters from across Rhinebeck's lengthy past. The cast of characters for this year's program is equal to the first class menu at the Beekman Arms. You will meet actors portraying such notables as US Vice President Levi P. Morton, renowned FDR-era artist Olin Dows, and inspired architect George Veitch, who designed the Rhinebeck Episcopal Church and Wyndclyffe. This tour is sure to delight and places you in one of the county's tourist hotspots for a great meal and shopping afterwards. Tours take place on Oct. 22 and 23 at 3 p.m., with a special accessible tour on Oct. 22 at 1:30 p.m. for mobility-challenged patrons. Ticket sales

and additional information are available online at friendsofRhinebeckcemetery.org. For more information about the acting company, visit theatreontheroad.com.

The most established of the local costumed programs continues to be the tours at St. James' Episcopal Church, located on Route 9 north of the center of Hyde Park and across from the Vanderbilt Estate.

The church has long been a historical fixture, with a congregation dating back to 1812. The current chapel played host to the Roosevelts and their many influential guests, including European monarchs. Predictably, the cemetery features an equally illustrious, sometimes controversial, assembly of patrons.

This year's characters include Captain Isaac Russell, a Revolutionary War veteran with close links to local notable Morgan Lewis (founder of Staatsburgh); Adelaide Roddy, an early 20th-century theologian who died an untimely death; and Anna Roosevelt Halsted, FDR and ER's daughter and Kennedy presidential advisor. Tours run on Oct. 21 and 22 and last approximately an hour, rain or shine. Tickets and additional information are available online at stjameshydepark.org/graveyard-tours/ and stjamesgraveyardtours2022.eventbrite.com.

Focusing on authentic local experiences, these four cemetery programs offer something for every historical taste.

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Situated directly behind St. James Church is the burial monument for Morgan Lewis. The founder of Staatsburgh, a one-time New York Governor, and a local grandee, Lewis was also a veteran of the Revolutionary War. Lewis befriended Captain Isaac Russell during the war, who later relocated to Hyde Park and is buried adjacent to Lewis. Learn more about Russell at the St. James Graveyard Tour. *Photo courtesy of Dutchess County Historian*



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Each column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.

Each 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

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The heavy lines indicate areas, called cages, from one to five squares in size. Fill each cage with unique digits, counting up from 1. So for example a 2-square cage contains the numbers 1 and 2; and a 5-square cage contains the numbers from 1 to 5. Adjacent (touching) squares, even ones that touch diagonally, may never contain the same number.

ACROSS

1. Wild
6. Prefix for
type or graph
10. Young animal
14. Sun-dried clay brick
15. Above
16. "Now __ me down..."
17. Crown
18. Close by
19. Wrongful act
20. Outsider
22. Juicy fruit
24. Precious
25. Farmers' groups
26. State
29. Martini & __ wines
30. Sound of contentment
31. Type of energy
33. Lift with effort
37. Skater Lipinski
39. Fix firmly
41. Kill
42. Word with shoe
or cheap
44. Mexican mister
46. Neck item
47. Runs
49. Narrated again
51. In love
54. Celebrity
55. Meal
56. Burr and Hamilton
60. TV journalist Severeid
61. Ooze
63. Wall climbers
64. Hair coloring
65. Magazine title
66. Stringed instrument
67. Summers on
the Left Bank
68. Level
69. Chores

DOWN

1. Mr. Domino
2. Correct a manuscript
3. Laugh loudly
4. Rub away
5. Dependent people
6. Copy machine additive
7. Hardly __; seldom
8. Grassy field
9. Typos
10. Prayerful recitations
11. All __; from
the beginning
12. Bart Simpson's mom
13. Computer units
21. Croc's cousin
23. Complaint to a
dermatologist
25. Bridge expert Charles
26. __ like; pretends to be
27. __ up; absorb
28. Yellow-billed rail
29. Is overly enthusiastic
32. Shoppers' papers
34. Singing voice
35. Colorado ski resort
36. Watched
38. Draws
40. Rich cake
43. Greek love deity
45. Dreamer's opposite
48. Start
50. Unimportant matters
51. Alpine crest
52. Earn
53. Express one's views
54. "Great!"
56. Take out, for short
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is agreeable to
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59. Soviet divisions: abbr.
62. Inventor Whitney

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The solutions to both the Sudoku & Crossword puzzles can be found on page 18



'In case I need it'

Luigi explains why he keeps certain items in his truck.

I remember when my son Marcanthony first started to drive to high school. My pickup truck was for work and gardening. Plants, shrubs, and gardening supplies for home; supplies, produce and plowing for work. As such, I kept certain things in the truck to help me with both. For the restaurant, I always kept a knife in the glove box as well as box of latex gloves and a rubber apron. For gardening, I always kept a machete and a shovel in the back of the truck, you know, in case "I need it."

The kids in the neighborhood would see the machete and the shovel and ask my sons Marcanthony and Claudio why their father would have those in the back of the truck. Their answer was my answer: "In case we need it."

The next-door neighbor would ask why I had a machete and a shovel in the back of the truck, and my answer was "In case I need it."

My wife Lisa's relatives would see the machete and shovel in the back of the truck and would ask why I kept them in the back of the truck and my answer was always "In case I need it."

I would be at the grocery store and people would see the shovel and machete

in the back of the truck and they would ask why I kept them in the back of the truck and my answer was always "In case I need it."

One day Marcanthony drove my pickup to school and our town police officer looked in the back of the truck and saw the machete and the shovel. He asked Marcanthony why there was a shovel and machete in the back of the truck and he answered, "In case I need it."

So officer Robert Benson called me at the restaurant and asked if I knew that there was a machete and a shovel in the back of the truck. I said yes, of course. He then asked me why I had the machete and the shovel in the back of the truck. And I said, "In case I need it."

Now, I have known Bobby for years. He is a friend and he has watched my children grow up. He knows how I am and he knows I do a lot of gardening. He knows I'm always trimming trees and always working. He then asked me if there is anything else in the truck. I said yeah sure there is a knife in the glove box with latex gloves and a rubber apron. He said why do I keep those things in the truck. And I answered ... "In case I need it."

I could hear him slapping his forehead.

After a long pause, he told me I had to take them out of the truck. I said why? He said machete, shovel and knife on school grounds was not allowed. I remember being a little confused until it hit me.

All the kids, the neighbors, strangers, Lisa's relatives, all the times I was asked why I had a shovel and a machete. All the looks of horror when I answered "In case I need them." It all hit me and I immediately understood it all.

I apologized and said I would take them out as soon as Marcanthony got home. Bobby laughed because he knew that the thought of using my tools for anything other than I had intended them. You know, "In case I need them."

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Ingredients

- 1 large eggplant peeled and sliced lengthwise approximately 1/4-inch thick
- 1 jar Coppola's Roasted Garlic sauce
- 4 plum tomatoes, sliced
- Extra-virgin olive oil, for brushing
- Salt
- 6 ounces Mozzarella cheese, thinly sliced
- Crusty bread, for serving

Method:

- Preheat the oven to 450 degrees and

heat a grill pan.

- Brush the eggplant and tomato slices with olive oil and season lightly with salt. Grill the eggplant until softened and lightly charred, about 4 minutes.

- Grill the tomatoes, turning once, until lightly charred but still intact, about 2 minutes.

- Lay the eggplant on the bottom of a pan. Add a thin layer of sauce then another layer of eggplant, then a layer of grilled tomatoes and finally a layer of mozzarella.

- Bake in the center of the oven for about 15 minutes, until bubbling and golden. Let stand for 10 minutes. Serve with crusty bread.

Luigi Coppola is one of five brothers born to Francesca and Antonio Coppola. The Coppola family came to America from Naples, Italy in 1954. Antonio and his brothers opened their first restaurant in Poughkeepsie in 1961. Luigi and his brothers Nick, John, Antonio and Vincent have carried on the family tradition in the way their parents taught them, using classic recipes taught to them at their apron strings. Visit their website at www.coppolas.net.

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'FALL' into Red Hook with ODVGC

by Pat Owens

In keeping with the annual tradition of Hardscrabble Day in Red Hook, the Old Dutch Village Garden Club was invited by the town to decorate the four corners in the village. Naturally, we were excited to comply. It's what we do! Our club Hardscrabble Day Committee consisting of Mona Matthies, Cathy Michael, Janet DelRosario, Barbara Maleonskie, Kayla Bell, Lois Colin, Tamara Cookingham, Linda Gloweinka, Nola Weit, Rosalie

Rossi and Linda Lawson put their heads together to do the job. Fantastic ideas came to fruition but not without the kindness of our local farmers who graciously donated pumpkins, apples, cornstalks, hay bales and crates. We wish to thank Kesickie Farm, Mead Orchards, Greig Farm, Hardeman Orchards and Rose Hill Farm.

We had the makings, we needed the fixins.' All kinds of silk flowers and ribbons festooned the squashes and hay bales. Directional signs were painted

showing the way to each of the farms. It goes without saying that extra help was provided by some husbands and others who ferried the finished products to their destinations. The visitors strolling the streets of Red Hook throughout the day remarked on the ingenuity and festiveness of the displays. And since they had the "direction" we hope they took the time to also visit the areas orchards.

This year, as always, the orchards and farms have not disappointed with gorgeous arrays of imaginative mazes and

super delicious apples in many varieties. If the weather cooperates, we will all have had fun outdoor days and full tummies filled with fruits, donuts and apple cider. The town asked that we leave the decorations up for a bit but when they're finished, we'll transport some to our community garden on Route 9 for the remainder of the season. The garden was particularly beautiful this year even with the dearth of rain. With the care and watering by our club members, the plants

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Exhibitions

at galleries and museums in the Hudson Valley

LAND Gallery, 30 Charles Colman Blvd., Pawling. **Through Oct. 30:** "Bannerman Island, Then and Now," photographs by Linda T Hubbard, some taken from a helicopter before some walls of the Castle collapsed. (845) 490-2281 or www.landgalleryonline.com

Montgomery Row Art Exhibition Space, 2nd Level, 6423 Montgomery St., Rhinebeck. **Through Oct. 30:** "In Sync," an exhibit of avian photographs by Claudia Gorman and art of various mediums by Basha Ruth Nelson. Contact Gorman at claudiagorman.com and Nelson at basharuthnelson.com.

Morton Memorial Library, 82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff. **Through Oct. 28:** Morton's Celebration of Fiber Arts. (845) 876-2903

Rhinebeck Bank, 6414 Montgomery St., Rhinebeck. **Through Oct. 22:** The bank features an exhibit of Gage John Lazare paintings. A Native American with roots in

the Iroquois tribe, which was originally located in the Mohawk Valley region, Lazare's ancestral pride is evident in his work. A self-taught artist, he credits his grandparents for supporting his artistic talents and encouraging him to pursue them, no matter where that led him. www.gagejohnlazare.com

Tivoli Artists Gallery, 60 Broadway, Tivoli. **Oct. 21-Nov. 13:** "Vivid", a showcase of paintings, photographs and ceramics, highlighting the work of abstract painter Janene Gentile, photographer Demoy Shilling, ceramicist Andrea Gentile-Shilling, and conceptual artist Cinda Sparling. **Opening Reception:** Sat., Oct. 22, 5-7 p.m. www.tivoliartistsgallery.com

WomensWork.art, 4 S. Clinton Ave., Poughkeepsie. **Through Oct. 29:** "Unbound," works by Serena Depero. **Through Nov. 26:** "Ritual: Art and Witchcraft." (845) 293-3660 or womenswork.art

Pianist, composer to perform Oct. 23 at Howland Center

On October 23 continuing its Fall season, the Howland Chamber Music Circle will present longtime collaborators violinist Lara St. John and pianist/composer Martin Kennedy. The Canadian-born Lara St. John has been described as "something of a phenomenon" by The Strad and a "high-powered soloist" by the New York Times.

The concert will take place on Sunday, October 23, at 4 p.m., at the Howland Cultural Center, 477 Main Street, Beacon. For further information on this and other presentations by the Howland Chamber Music Circle, as well as Covid protocol please go to the Circle's website www.howlandmusic.org.

She has performed as a soloist with many major orchestras the world over as well as recitalist in New York, Boston,

San Francisco, Ravinia, Wolf Trap, Washington, DC, Prague, Berlin, Toronto, Montreal and in the Forbidden City.

Her collaborator Martin Kennedy is a piano recitalist and soloist with an equally distinguished career. He is also a composer.

For their concert at the Howland Center, they have chosen to play the Violin Sonata in G Minor, L. 140 by Claude Debussy, the Sonata in A Major for Violin and Piano by Cesar Franck, the Rapsody No.2 for Solo Violin by Jessie Montgomery, various Romanian, Klezmer, and Hungarian tunes arranged for violin and piano, and a piece by Martin Kennedy, the Czardashian Rapsody.

New leadership for Kaatsbaan Cultural Park

Kaatsbaan Cultural Park has announced new leadership appointments effective this month. Tricia Reed will be Kaatsbaan's Managing Director, effective October 17; Adam Weinert will join as Artistic Associate, also beginning October 17; and Paloma Herrera will be Artistic Director for Kaatsbaan Ballet Intensive 2023, effective immediately, with Kevin McKenzie stepping into the role of Artistic Advisor.

"I am thrilled to welcome these deeply talented leaders to our organization," said McKenzie, Kaatsbaan Co-Founder, Board Chair and Artistic Advisor. "They each bring a depth of experience, knowledge and vision and I am confident they will help Kaatsbaan Cultural Park further deepen its mission to provide an extraordinary environment for cultural innovation and excellence."

Tricia Reed is an Arts Administrator and Concert & Special Events Producer in the Hudson Valley. On staff at the Bard College Conservatory of Music since 2012, where she is currently the Director of Event Production, Bard Conservatory, Tricia also serves as the Bard Conservatory Orchestra Tour Manager for international and domestic tours, which have previously included China, Eastern Europe and Cuba. Additionally, she is the Business and Licensing Manager for New Albion Records, Inc., the iconic avant-garde record label.

Adam Weinert is a choreographer, researcher and gardener based in Hudson NY. He has produced and choreographed two award-winning dance films screened nationally and abroad, and his performance works have toured to four

continents. Adam studied at Vassar College, The Juilliard School, and New York University and he has danced with The Metropolitan Opera Ballet Company, The Mark Morris Dance Group, and Shen Wei Dance Arts. In 2020 Adam was named a Bessie Honoree for his work reconstructing and interrogating the choreographic legacy of Modern Dance pioneer Ted Shawn. That same year, he launched Jacob's Garden, a working farm, living archive and participatory piece of choreography on the campus of the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival.

Paloma Herrera was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and became the youngest Principal Dancer in American Ballet Theatre history at age 19. She has appeared as a Guest Artist with great ballet companies around the world, including New York City Ballet, Kirov Ballet, Bolshoi Ballet, Tokyo Ballet, Teatro Colon, and National Ballet of Cuba, to name a few. She retired from American Ballet Theatre at the end of November 2015. In 2017, she became the artistic director of Ballet Estable del Teatro Colon where the company has grown immensely since she arrived.

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came through in spectacular form.

The holidays are around the corner. All good wishes for a splendid and delicious Thanksgiving. Try not to notice the premature holiday displays blinking in your face until after the turkey. We're not ready. But, then again, are we ever?

We meet at St. John's Reformed Church in Upper Red Hook at 12:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month (except for August). New members and visitors are always welcome. Please contact Linda Lawson at 845-758-5653 for more information.

Decoding Dutchess'...

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Whether you are in the area to admire the leaves and gather some apples, or are a long-term resident looking to learn more about local history, you need to look no further. History is alive and hands-on in Dutchess County during the Spooky Season, thanks to our dedicated custodians of the local past.

William P. Tatum III has served as the Dutchess County Historian since 2012.

ATTENTION ART GALLERIES

E-mail exhibition listings to:
creativeliving@s Dutchessnews.com

Answer to this week's Dot to Dot (puzzle on page 10)

THE GREATEST DOT TO DOT BOOKS!

Stars
Stop at each star (★), then skip to the next number and start your line again. End ★ 148

By David Kalvitis © 2011 Monkeying Around

Answers to this week's diversions

(puzzles on page 16)

Suguru solution

1	5	1	3	4	5
2	3	4	2	1	2
4	1	5	3	5	4
5	2	4	1	2	3
3	1	3	5	4	1
2	4	2	1	3	2

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SUDOKU

This week's answer

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9	6	5	8	7	4	2	3	1
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A&E Calendar

arts and entertainment happenings

Note: Please check with event venues for any guidelines related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Through Oct. 30

Harvest Hunt, Locust Grove, 2683 South Rd., Poughkeepsie. A very special story walk-scavenger hunt for kids and families. Come find over two dozen decorated pumpkins hidden among the flowers and trees on the historic estate. Map provided. Costumes encouraged. Sat. & Sun., 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Tickets \$10/person. Children under 4 are free. www.ignny.org/calendar or (845) 454-4500

Haunted Fortress, 11 Creamery Rd., Stanfordville. Haunted experience is run under the auspices of the Town of Stanford Recreation Department by a committee of talented local residents. A trail leads you into a maze of haunted structures with characters ranging from a little strange to really really creepy. There are eerie effects and scary skits that change a little each night. Open Fri. & Sat, 6:30-9:30 p.m.; Sun., 6:30-8:30 p.m. Those who want to enjoy the artistry in daylight without the creepy music and scary actors can attend on Oct. 22, with a rain date of Oct. 23, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Tickets \$15 adults, \$10 ages 12 & younger, \$10 seniors. Cash only. townofstanford.org/hauntedfortress or (845) 868-7782

"The Great Pumpkin Spice Murder," various locations. Murder Cafe presents a Halloween-themed murder mystery dinner to die for. You're invited to join famed pumpkin farmer, Charles Goodman, and his wife, Annie, in celebrating their winning of the new World Record for growing the

biggest pumpkin. Even Charles' former best friend and biggest competition, Sam, is in attendance. Not everyone, however, is happy for Charles. His ex-wife, Tiffany, thinks that she should share some of the spotlight. Tempers get as hot as a fresh Pumpkin Spice Latte, and someone won't be leaving this party alive. **The performance schedule:** Thurs., Oct. 20, 7 p.m., The Beekman Arms, 6387 Mill St. (Rte. 9), Rhinebeck. Purchase tickets via EventBrite; Fri., Oct. 21, 6:30 p.m., Meadowbrook Lodge, 1 Meadowbrook Road, New Windsor. Purchase tickets via EventBrite; Sunday, Oct. 23, 8 p.m., The Colony, 22 Rock City Rd., Woodstock. Reservations at (845) 679-7625; Wed., Oct. 26, 7 p.m., The Venue at The Best Western, Washington Ave., Kingston. Purchase tickets via EventBrite; Sun., Oct. 30, 2 p.m., Le Chambord at Curry Estate, 2739 Rte. 52, Hopewell Junction. Reservations at (845) 221-1941. If you have any issues with making reservations or buying tickets, call Murder Cafe at (845) 475-7973 or email murdercafe.ny@gmail.com.

Through Oct. 31

Irving's 'Legend,' Washington Irving's Sunnyside, W. Sunnyside Lane, Tarrytown. Performing amid the lush landscape of Washington Irving's estate, master storyteller Jonathan Kruk, accompanied by live music by Jim Keyes, brings to life the story of "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" in this outdoor, evening event. Oct. 14-16; 21-23; 28-31. Online tickets start at \$30 for adults and \$24 for children. Historic Hudson Valley members receive a 15% discount on

tickets. Buy tickets online at www.hudsonvalley.org or by calling 914-366-6900 (\$2.50 per ticket surcharge for phone orders).

Through Nov. 20

The Great Jack O' Lantern Blaze, Van Cortlandt Manor, 525 S. Riverside Ave., Croton-on-Hudson. Features illuminated, individually hand-carved Jack o' lanterns in elaborate displays which are professionally lit throughout the landscape of the manor in various themed areas. All admissions are by advance purchase only. Dates: Every day in October; Nov. 2-6; Nov. 9-13; Nov. 18-20. Online tickets start at \$32 for adults and \$24 for children 3-17, and are free for children 2 and under. Held rain or shine. Buy tickets online at www.hudsonvalley.org or by calling 914-366-6900 (\$2.50 per ticket surcharge for phone orders).

Oct. 20-23

"Annie," Highland HS Auditorium, 320 Pancake Hollow Rd., Highland. 90 Miles Theater Company presents the award-winning, family-friendly musical based on the popular comic strip by Harold Gray. Performances: Thurs. & Fri., 7 p.m.; Sat., 2 & 7 p.m.; Sun., 2 p.m. Tickets \$20 advance online, \$25 door. 90milesny.com

Oct. 21

Richard's Rhinecliff Show, Morton Memorial Library & Community House, 82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff. Featuring Pete Santora, Lisa Dudley, Paul Clarke and Don & Maureen Black, 8-10:30 p.m. Donations are suggested. (845) 876-7007

Oct. 21-22 & 29-30

Legends by Candlelight Ghost Encounters, Clermont State Historic Site, 1 Clermont Ave., Germantown. Come sit on the lawn at Clermont surrounded by flickering Jack-o'-lanterns as ghosts from Clermont's past tell their stories. Some stories are sad, others scary and some funny, but they are all true. Visitors for the ghost encounter should wear comfortable shoes, dress for the weather and be ready for an adventure. Encounters each night at 6, 7 & 8 p.m. Advanced tickets required; no walk-ins. Tickets \$12 adults, \$5 ages 5-12. (518) 537-4240

Oct. 21-23

"12 Angry Jurors," Performing Arts Center at Taconic Hills CSD, 73 County Route 11A, Craryville. The Two Of Us Productions presents this tense courtroom drama by Reginald Rose adapted for the stage by Sherman L. Segel. Performances: Fri. & Sat., 7:30 p.m.; Sun., 3 p.m. Tickets

\$15 adults, \$10 students & seniors. www.TheTwoOfUsProductions.org or (518) 758-1648.

Oct. 22

Fall Backyard Concert Series, Hyde Park Library, 2 Main St., Hyde Park. This week: Jazz with Charlie Kniceley and Co., a well-loved bassist on the Hudson Valley jazz scene for decades, Charlie will be joined by Peter Tomlinson on piano, Chuck Zuren on drums and Bob Shaut on sax. Concerts will be held at 3 p.m. in the library courtyard (or in the annex in the event of rain). If it's cold, the library will have outdoor heaters. hydeparkfreelibrary.org

Family Halloween Activities, Kaatsbaan Cultural Park, 120 Broadway, Tivoli. An afternoon of fun family Halloween activities, 2:30-5 p.m., featuring Michael Hearst and His Band, Trick-or-Treating through the Art Walk Exhibition, Seasonal Warming Fires, treats and beverages for sale. Admission \$10 for adults and children 5+; free for ages 4 and under. www.kaatsbaan.org

Oct. 22-23

Living History Cemetery Tours, Rhinebeck Cemetery, Rte. 9 & Mill Rd., Rhinebeck. Theatre on the Road and Friends of Rhinebeck Cemetery will bring six spirits to life who each contributed to Rhinebeck's rich past. All tours start at 3 p.m. On Oct. 22, there will also be a 1:30 p.m. accessible tour. Enter the cemetery at the Mill Road gate and follow the signs for parking. Guided tours will last one hour. Tickets are \$15 adults, \$10 students, \$8 seniors and under 12. Purchase at www.friendsofRhinebeckcemetery.org. More info: (845) 475-7973

Oct. 23

Northern Dutchess Symphony Orchestra: "Tchaikovsky in Ukraine," Marriott Pavilion at the Culinary Institute of America, 1945 Campus Dr., Hyde Park. The concert will feature Tchaikovsky's Symphony #2, which was inspired by Ukrainian folk music and the Ukrainian National Anthem. 18-year-old cellist Andrew Chun is guest soloist for Schumann's Cello Concerto in A minor. The concert will open with "The Hebrides (Fingal's Cave)" by Mendelssohn, 3 p.m. Tickets \$38; discounts for seniors & students. www.ndsorchestra.org or (845) 635-0877

"Samuel Clemens: Tales of Mark Twain," The Hurley Reformed Church, 11 Main St., Hurley. One-man show written and performed by Joe Baer, 2 p.m. To benefit the Hurley Library. Tickets \$15 advance, \$20 door. Tickets at <http://hurleylibrary.org/> or call (845) 338-2092. More info: <https://www.BaerhandsTheater.com>



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Legal Notices

TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION NO.: 10009/2022
RE: ACCEPTING THE 2023 PRELIMINARY BUDGET AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING
WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor has prepared the 2023 Tentative Budget for the Town of Pleasant Valley, and the Town Clerk presented the 2023 Tentative Budget to the Town Board at the September 19, 2022 Town Board meeting; and
WHEREAS, at the October 3, 2022 Town Board meeting, the Town Board discussed and voted on several changes to the budget; and **WHEREAS**, the approved changes have been incorporated into the 2023 Preliminary Budget;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT
RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the 2023 Preliminary Budget for purposes of soliciting public comment; and
RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to make the 2023 Preliminary Budget available for public inspection in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours and to post the 2023 Preliminary Budget on the town's website; and
RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby sets a public hearing on the 2023 Preliminary Budget for Monday, October 24, 2022 at 7:05 PM at the Town Hall; and
RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to post notice of the budget and hearing pursuant to New York State Town Law § 108.
 DATE: October 7, 2022

MOTION: Councilman Rifenburg
SECOND: Councilwoman Albrecht

ROLL CALL:	AYE	NAY
Councilwoman Albrecht	X	
Councilman Mazzella	X	
Councilman O'Hanlon	X	
Councilman Rifenburg	X	
Supervisor DelVecchio	X	

This Resolution was declared duly adopted on October 7, 2022.
 Dated: October 7, 2022
 Pleasant Valley, New York

Mary Beth Muir, Town Clerk
 Town of Pleasant Valley

TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY				
2023 ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARIES				
	2023	Hourly	Annual	2023
Elected Officials	Position	Rate	Salary	Preliminary
John Baxter	Highway Superintendent		\$66,950.00	\$73,645.00
		Refuse	\$1,200.00	\$3,000.00
		MS4 Coordinator	\$1,525.00	\$1,525.00
Mary Beth Muir	Town Clerk		\$48,127.00	\$48,127.00
		Tax collector	\$7,571.00	\$7,571.00
		Reg of Vital Stats	\$1,839.00	\$1,839.00
John Del Vecchio	Town Supervisor		\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
Michael Rifenburg	Board Member		\$8,200.00	\$8,200.00
Mary Albrecht	Board Member		\$8,200.00	\$8,200.00
Keith O'Hanlon	Board Member		\$8,200.00	\$8,200.00
Frank Mazzella	Board Member		\$8,200.00	\$8,200.00
Jeffrey Battistoni	Justice		\$26,250.00	\$26,250.00
Darren Fairlie	Justice		\$26,250.00	\$26,250.00
			\$252,512.00	\$261,007.00

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF MILAN ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Milan will hold a public hearing at the request of Christine and Gregory Verrilli seeking area variances pursuant to Table B, Schedule of Area and Bulk Regulations of the Town of Milan Zoning Ordinance, to increase lot coverage from the allowed 10% to approximately 15.85% and to allow the construction of a building to be used for the storage of vintage automobiles having a front setback of approximately 30 feet where 80 feet is required. These variances are part of the ongoing site plan review for the permitted use of a public garage on property located at 1359 Willowbrook Road, tax grid number 6571-00-572228 in the HB Zoning District. SAID HEARING will be held on Wednesday, October 26, 2022 at the Milan Town Hall, 20 Wilcox Circle, at which time all interested persons shall be given the opportunity to be heard. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. and this application will be heard in the order at which it appears on the agenda.
 October 5, 2022
 By Order of the Zoning Board of Appeals

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF MILAN ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Milan will hold a public hearing at the request of Joshua and Sarah Shafer seeking an area variance pursuant to Table B, Schedule of Area and Bulk Requirements, of the Town of Milan Zoning Ordinance, to construct a single family dwelling having a front setback of approximately 40 feet where 80 feet is required. The property is located on Willowbrook Road, tax grid number 6571-00-666242-00, in the HB (Highway Business) Zoning District. SAID HEARING will be held on Wednesday, October 26, 2022 at the Milan Town Hall, 20 Wilcox Circle, at which time all interested persons shall be given the opportunity to be heard. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. and this application will be heard in the order at which it appears on the agenda.
 Dated: October 5, 2022
 By Order of the Zoning Board of Appeals

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF MILAN PLANNING BOARD PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Board of the Town of Milan will hold a public hearing in accordance with Town Law for site plan approval for the use of "Garage, Public" to be used for the storage of vintage automobiles on property owned by Christine and Gregory Verrilli, tax grid number 6571-00-572228 located at 1359 Willowbrook Road in the Highway Business zoning district. SAID HEARING will be held at the Milan Town Hall, 20 Wilcox Circle, on Wednesday, November 2, 2022 at which time all interested persons shall be given the opportunity to be heard. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. and this application will be heard in the order at which it appears on the agenda.
 October 5, 2022
 By order of the Planning Board

TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY CHANGE IN TOWN BOARD MEETING DATE
 The Pleasant Valley Town Board amended their Regular Town Board meeting date originally scheduled for Monday, October 17, 2022 at 7:00 PM to be held on Monday, October 24, 2022 at 7:00 PM. This meeting will include a Public Hearing for the 2023 Preliminary Budget to be held at 7:05 PM.

GIVE BLOOD GIVE LIFE

Who needs blood?
 Under normal circumstances, every two seconds someone in America will need a blood transfusion. Blood transfusions are used for trauma victims - due to accidents and burns - heart surgery, organ transplants, women with complications during childbirth, newborns and premature babies, and patients receiving treatment for leukemia, cancer or other diseases, such as sickle cell disease and thalassemia.



Deadline for Northern Dutchess News Legals is every Friday @ 12 noon for a Wednesday Publication* *When a public holiday falls on a Monday the deadline becomes Thursday at noon.

OBITUARIES

Leonard H. Christo
 DOVER PLAINS - Leonard H. Christo, 92, a resident of Dover Plains, NY since 2008 passed away on Monday, October 10, 2022 at Sharon Health Care Center in Sharon, CT. Mr. Christo was a maintenance man at the Croton Harmon School District for 25 years retiring in 1994. Born on February 27, 1930 in Logan, Iowa he was the son of the late Cassius Clay and Lorraine (Clark) Christo. Mr. Christo proudly served in the US Army during the Korean Conflict. On March 13, 1954 in Highland Falls, NY, he married Mary A. Blanco who predeceased him on December 7, 2018. Mr. Christo is survived by his loving son, Corey Christo and his wife, Karen, of Dover Plains, NY and two grandchildren, Kathryn Elizabeth and Jason Eric Christo. In addition to his parents and wife, Mr. Christo was predeceased by six brothers and three sisters. Calling hours were held on Friday, October 14, 2022 at the Hufcut Funeral Home, 3159 Route 22, Dover Plains, NY. Graveside services and burial will be private at Mt Calvary Cemetery in Valhalla, NY. For directions or to send the family an online condolence, please visit www.hufcutfuneralhome.com

Evelyn J. Forbes
 DOVER PLAINS - Evelyn J. Forbes, 96, a lifelong resident of Dover Plains, NY, died on Friday, October 7, 2022 at her daughter's home in Dover Plains. Mrs. Forbes was a secretary at the Donald B. Dedrick Agency in Dover Plains for 20 years retiring in 1987. Born on November 16, 1925 in Dunmore, PA, she was the daughter of the late John Rudolph and Matilda (White) Novak. She was a graduate of Dover High School Class of 1943 and

the Krissler Business School in Poughkeepsie, NY. On June 8, 1947 at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Dover Plains, NY, she married Arthur W. Forbes who died on November 1, 1982. She was a former member of the Dover Senior Citizens and a parishioner of St. Charles Borromeo Church in Dover Plains, NY. Mrs. Forbes is survived by a son, Arthur W. Forbes, Jr. and his wife, Cynthia of Charleston, SC and a daughter, Patricia Murphy of Dover Plains, NY; two grandchildren, Justin and Heather Forbes and a great grandson, Nathan Forbes. Besides her parents and husband, she was predeceased by a son-in-law, Fredrick Murphy; two brothers, Donald and John R. Novak and three sisters, Helen Pitcher, Marie Brady and Agnes Novak. There will be no calling hours. Graveside services and burial were held on Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at St. Charles Cemetery, S. Nellie Hill Road in Dover Plains. Memorial contributions may be made to the J. H. Ketcham Hose Co. Auxiliary, P.O. Box 97, Dover Plains, NY 12522. To send the family an online condolence, please visit www.hufcutfuneralhome.com.

Carol S. Hoser
 FORMERLY OF LAGRANGE - Carol S. Hoser, 82 years old, a former resident of Lagrangeville, NY, died at home in Surprise, AZ on Sept 27, 2022. Her husband and daughter were with her. Carol was born in Summit, NJ on December 23, 1939 to Arthur and Edna Werner. She was a graduate of Fairleigh Dickinson University. Carol was predeceased by her daughter Judith L. Byers and brother Richard Werner. Carol is survived by her loving husband of 61 years, George and daughter Carolyn Fischer of San Diego,

CA. She has two grandchildren, Jacob Byers and Jillian Byers. Carol was a full-time mom for years, always active in her church and neighborhood activities. She enjoyed playing tennis and was a great fan of that sport as well as many others. She lived abroad in Germany, Spain and France. She had many wonderful memories from the extensive travels and living abroad with her husband. For more than 30 years she and her husband maintained a 2nd home near the beach in Spain where they spent considerable time. She loved learning about the culture, entertaining friends and family and making friends wherever she lived. She hosted a Spanish exchange student, Gabriel Duyos while in Lagrangeville with whom she maintained close contact. He and his family currently live in Valencia, Spain. There will be no calling hours and cremation has taken place. There will be a memorial service at 1:30 pm local time on Thursday Nov 3, 2022 at Spirit of Grace Lutheran Church in Surprise, AZ. In lieu of flowers donations in recognition of Carol's life may be made to her favorite charity Child Fund International. Burial will be at the Church. The service will be recorded. Viewers should visit the Church's website. Condolences may be sent directly to the family at GHoser@cox.net.

Carol A. Kitay
 RED HOOK - Carol A. Kitay, 76, a longtime resident of Red Hook, NY, passed away on Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at The

Thompson House in Rhinebeck, NY. Born on March 17, 1946, in New Rochelle, NY, she was the daughter of the late Lester and Mary Catherine (Evensen) Kitay. For many years, Carol worked at the IGA Market in Red Hook, and went on to work at Tops Market in Rhinebeck in retirement. Previously she worked as a Dental Assistant in New Rochelle, NY. Carol was an avid Bingo player and could often be found wherever Bingo was being played, including regular games at the Red Hook VFW, and at Monument Lodge in Tivoli. She is survived by her loving brother, Kenneth (Lisa Traver) Kitay of Red Hook, NY; her aunt, Mae Gaurino of Beekman, NY; her niece, Kendra Kitay of Red Hook, NY; her nephew, Kenneth Kitay, Jr of Las Vegas, NV; her ex-sisters in law, Danielle Santoro of Elizaville, NY and Christine Kitay of Las Vegas, NV; her beloved first cousin Linda Kitay of New Rochelle along with extended family, numerous friends, and colleagues. Friends may call at the Burnett & White Funeral Homes in Red Hook on Thursday, October 20th, 2022 from 5-8 PM. Prayers will be offered at 7:30pm. Burial will be at a later date at Beechwood Cemetery in New Rochelle. Memorial donations may be made in Carol's memory to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1942, www.stjude.org/ memorial. Arrangements are under the direction of Burnett & White Funeral Homes 7461 S. Broadway, Red Hook, NY.

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Former RCK soccer star Adams helps to open mini-pitches at Poughkeepsie Park

by Rich Thomaselli

Dutchess County has a rich history of producing local athletes who have gone on to professional careers in numerous sports, from baseball to football to basketball to boxing and more.

When it comes to soccer, however, Roy C. Ketcham High School graduate Tyler Adams might be one of the brightest of them all.

And he never forgot his roots.

The 23-year old star – who plays professionally for Leeds United in the English Premier League and, more importantly, is a member of the United States Men's National Team that will compete in the quadrennial World Cup in Qatar starting next month – was back home in the area this past weekend to help open two new mini soccer pitches at Pulaski Park in the City of Poughkeepsie.

The mini-pitches were made possible through a personal contribution from Adams, as well as contributions from the U.S. Soccer Foundation, Target, the City of

Poughkeepsie and Dutchess County. Adams, his family, U.S. Soccer officials, City of Poughkeepsie Mayor Rob Rolison, and various officials from the city and the county were on hand for the opening ceremonies.

"Building two new mini-pitches in Pulaski Park is such a unique way to give back to the game and to the community where I first started," Adams said.

Adams rose to fame during his high school playing days, but his prodigious talent allowed him to become the youngest player ever drafted into the U.S.-based professional Major Soccer League with the New York Red Bulls.

Adams said he was thrilled to be able to contribute to the sport's further development, especially in the inner city.

"Through these pitches, more children in Poughkeepsie can learn values that they will take with them well beyond their playing careers – the same values that I learned through my support system," he said. "Thanks to my family's support and to all partners involved in this amazing process

and creating an environment where kids can blossom."

"We are pleased to see the opening of the mini-pitches, a collaborative project that went from concept to completion within a matter of months," Rolison said. "The mini-pitches are part of a much broader, multimillion dollar initiative by the city to make upgrades to the park system, and it's fulfilling to see these projects getting completed for our residents to enjoy."

The Pulaski Park project is part of more than 100 mini-pitches the U.S. Soccer Foundation and Target have installed together since 2018. The goal is to install 1,000 by 2026.



Roy C. Ketcham High School graduate Tyler Adams helped to open two new mini-pitches at Pulaski Park in the City of Poughkeepsie last week. Adams now plays professionally for Leeds United in the English Premier League and, more importantly, is a member of the United States Men's National Team that will compete in the quadrennial World Cup in Qatar starting next month. *Courtesy photo*

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